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# VETERANS DAY IN WILMINGTON



Clockwise from top left: The Wilmington Police Honor Guard marches the colors during the ceremony; Wilmington's Father Darin Colarusso USAF (retired) says the benediction at the Veterans Day ceremony; Wilmington Police Officer Joseph Fitzgerald controls the flag of the Commonwealth and the American flag next to him; A veteran bows his head during the benediction; The Wilmington High School Marching Band plays a patriotic tune at the Veterans ceremony; Placing the wreath of the Gold Star Families at the Wilmington Town Common are, from left, Joe Millette, USAF (retired) Major Rob Oliveri and WSCG (retired) PO 1C Henry Diorio.

(Joe Brown photos)



## Lamplighters to put on SIX musical production

By **HEATHER BURNS**  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The

Wilmington Lamplighters Drama Guild is celebrating the fall season with their latest musical production, SIX.

For those unfamiliar with the musical SIX, it is the untold story of King Henry VIII's six wives. The unique twist on this production is that it is pop-music based, with each queen's character, costume, and music style based on a real pop

## Select Board receives information on trash contract

By **LIZZY HILL**  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Select Board meeting on Monday Oct. 28 began with a recognition that the board members were wearing pink in honor of breast cancer awareness month.

DPW Director Jamie Magaldi wrote to the board regarding the trash and recycling contract for fiscal years 2026

through 2030. Town Manager Eric Slagle mentioned that Magaldi and Deputy Public Works Director Joe Lobao shared their intention to pursue a request for proposals for the town's trash services.

Slagle said they technically could have just negotiated with Casella, but given that they were expecting a significant increase for the next contract, they wanted to

see market costs for competitive rates. They received proposal responses from Casella Waste, Waste Management, and Boston Carting.

The costs proposed showed significant differences between the existing hauler and the new respondents. The DPW then interviewed Casella Waste and Waste Management to talk about the specifics and provide

clarification. The information provided to the board was the result of those interviews.

Magaldi, Lobao, and Slagle all agreed on moving forward to renew with Casella Waste.

Kevin Caira asked the town manager to confirm something he'd heard, that when residents get a replacement trash barrel, it's smaller than the

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▲ Register now for our All You Can Read Buffet on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 10 a.m.! Eat and read to your heart's content while helping us out-read Tewksbury! We'll wrap up our buffet at 12 p.m. with a pizza party! Patrons are welcome to drop in to the library all day — any day for that matter — to log reading for reading rivals. Stop at the desk for a log sheet, or log online with Beanstack! (Courtesy photo)

## Wilmington Library News:

# All You Can Read Buffet on Saturday, Nov. 23

### Adult Programs

#### Needleworkers at Night

Monday, Nov. 18, 6 p.m.  
These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in. Now meeting every Monday in the cozy seating area on the first floor of the Library.

### Drop-in Tech Help

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2 p.m.  
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2 p.m.  
Saturday, Nov. 23, 2 p.m.  
Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

**VIRTUAL**  
**50+ Job Seekers Networking Group**  
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 9:30 a.m.

The Massachusetts Library Collaborative's 50+ Job Seekers Group meets via Zoom on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. This week's topic is Interview Strategies.

### Wellness Wednesdays — Gentle Yoga with the Yoga Loft

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 3 p.m.  
Feeling frazzled heading into the holiday season? Instructors from the Yoga Loft will help you de-stress on Wednesday afternoons at 3pm. Join us for gentle yoga with elements of meditation. Please bring your yoga mat.

### Fall Mason Jar Arrangement Demo (Waitlist Only)

Thursday, Nov. 21, 3 p.m.  
Join Master Flower Show Judge Kathy Leva for an autumnal floral demonstration!

### Novel Ideas

Thursday, Nov. 21, 6:30 p.m.  
Enjoy reading fiction? Join the library's fiction book group led by Adult Services Librarian Erin Driscoll. Please stop by the library to pick up a copy of the featured book. This month's featured book is *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters.

### Needleworkers

Friday, Nov. 22, 10 a.m.  
This is a social group for those who do any kind of needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy conversation and camaraderie. Drop in.

### Starting Your Family History Research

Saturday, Nov. 23, 2:30 p.m.  
Interested in genealogy but uncertain where to start? Join Seema Jayne Kenney to learn how to use basic genealogical forms, where to research, and questions to ask living relatives.

### Youth Programs

### Bilingual Story Hour

Monday, Nov. 18, 10 a.m.  
Practice using your home language with the Community Teamwork Family Resource Network! Each month, Community Teamwork will read a story in a non-English language. We encourage parents to join us and participate in whatever language they speak. At the playgroup participants will work on Early Literacy skills and more! Ask CTI about any resources they can help provide for you and your family. If you are interested in volunteering to help lead a Bilingual Story Hour, please reach out to Chris Cole, CTI's CFCE Supervisor, at [ccole@commteam.org](mailto:ccole@commteam.org). Ages 0-6 and their caregivers

### Kids' Book Café

Monday, Nov. 18, 6 p.m.  
A book tasting for students in Grades 3-5. Sample a variety of books, both fiction and nonfiction, revolving around the same genre or theme. Each session will include either a themed snack or activity! Grades 3-5

### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 10 a.m.  
Join us at our Preschool Storytime! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 3-6

### VIRTUAL Understanding the College Admission Process

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m.  
Applying to college can seem overwhelming and complicated. In this workshop, presented by Tom O'Hare, our seasoned College Advisor, will cover the college planning timeline, how to guide the best student, and ways to minimize stress. Everyone will receive grade-level checklists and ample time to ask questions. This is a virtual program; you will receive the Zoom link on the day of the program. Teens and Adults

### Time for Twos

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 10 a.m.  
Join us at our Time for Twos! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Age 2

### Family Craft Night: Fall Clay Creations! (Waitlist Only)

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 6 p.m.  
Complete a craft together with your family! Create a tiny trinket dish or fall decoration with clay! Ages 3+

### Baby Time

Thursday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m.  
Join us at our Baby Time! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 0-23 months

### Manga Tryouts

Thursday, Nov. 21, 3:30 p.m.  
Have a say in manga purchased for the teen collection with this new club! During each meeting, we'll sample 1st volumes of different manga, and vote on whether it should be added to WML's collection. Grades 6-12

### Read to Stormy

Thursday, Nov. 21, 4 p.m.  
Practice your reading skills with Therapy Dog, Stormy! Grades K-6

### Sensory Discovery for Teens

Friday, Nov. 22, 10:30 a.m.  
Sensory Discovery is designed as an enrichment activity with fun games and crafts for neurodiverse teens! Ages 14-18

### Kids Poetry Jigsaw Party!

Friday, Nov. 22, 3:45 p.m.  
Join WHS seniors Terry and Harry as they guide you through a fun workshop to get your creative writing juices flowing! In this interactive workshop, you'll be presented with a jumble of poetic lines; mix, match, and create your own unique poems or try to unscramble them back to their original forms! No experience necessary! Grades K-5

### All You Can Read Buffet

Saturday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m.  
Eat and read to your heart's content — help us out-read Tewksbury by logging the minutes you've read for our Reading Rivals Competition! Join us in the Stewart Room from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. to enjoy treats while you read. We'll wrap up our buffet at 12 p.m. with a pizza party! Patrons are welcome to drop in to the library all day — any day for that matter — to log reading for reading rivals! Stop at the desk for a log sheet. All ages

### Additional Information

#### Book Store Next Door

The Book Store Next Door is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10am to 4pm. Shop discount books! Paperbacks for \$1 and hardcovers for \$2. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from the Friends of the Library and all proceeds help support library programs.

### Museum Passes

The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list on our website!

### WML In-Person Programming

Registration is required for most in-person programs. Please check our website on the day of the program to confirm location. Masks are no longer required for vaccinated patrons while visiting the library.

### WML Virtual Programming

The library continues to offer a variety of virtual events. Please note that registration is required in order to receive the Zoom link. Go to [wilmingtonlibrary.org](http://wilmingtonlibrary.org) to register or call 978-658-2967.

## It's Your Money

by Todd Brisbois



## GOOD RECORDKEEPING YEAR-ROUND HELPS TAXPAYERS AVOID TAX TIME FRUSTRATION.

PART I

Wading through a pile of statements, receipts and other financial documents when it's time to prepare a tax return can be frustrating for people who haven't managed their records. By knowing what they need to keep and how long to keep it, people can develop a good recordkeeping system year-round and make filing their return easier. Good recordkeeping can also help taxpayers understand their situation when they receive letters or notices from the IRS. Good records help:

- Identify sources of income. Taxpayers may receive money or property from a variety of sources. The records can identify the sources of income and help separate business from non-business income and taxable from nontaxable income.
- Keep track of expenses. Taxpayers can use records to identify expenses for which they can claim a deduction. This will help determine whether to itemize deductions at filing. It may also help them discover potentially overlooked deductions or credits.
- Prepare tax returns. Good records help taxpayers file their tax return quickly and accurately. Throughout the year, they should add tax records to their files as they receive them to make preparing a tax return easier.
- Support items reported on tax returns. Well-organized records make it easier to prepare a tax return and help provide answers if the return is selected for examination or if the taxpayer receives an IRS notice.

In general, taxpayers should keep records for three years from the date they filed the tax return. Taxpayers should develop a system that keeps all their important information together. They can use a software program for electronic recordkeeping. They could also store paper documents in labeled folders.

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# Lifestyle

## Food pantries/banks need your help this season

By HEATHER BURNS  
News Correspondent

During these fiscally challenging times, there are many families that will struggle to provide the basic components of a traditional Thanksgiving meal for their family.

During this holiday season, there are several local charities asking for support from the community to help supply a proper holiday meal for those in need.

The Catholic Charities of

Boston is a non-profit organization that serves individuals and families in need, regardless of faith and background. They offer over 70 programs across more than 20 locations throughout the Greater Boston area that address the challenges of poverty in our communities by providing life necessities, education and advocacy to move families towards self-sufficiency.

This November, Catholic Charities are preparing to distribute more than 4,000 take home Thanksgiving

meals.

A donation of \$30 will provide a full Thanksgiving meal for families in need. To make a donation,

visit [www.ccab.org](http://www.ccab.org) or call 617-464-8508.

The Greater Boston Food Bank would also like to help make the season a little brighter for those unable to afford a holiday meal.

Thanks to the generous donation from Stop & Shop, all gifts to the GBFB will be matched up to \$350,000 now through Dec. 31, 2024.

A donation of just \$35 can provide a complete holiday meal that includes a turkey or other protein, fresh produce, stuffing, potatoes, and cranberry sauce.

To make a donation, please visit [www.gbfb.org](http://www.gbfb.org).

Closer to home, The Merrimack Valley Food Bank helps provide nutritious food to food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens and other programs that serve individuals and families in 32 cities and towns in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

During this busy holiday season, the MVFB is looking for volunteers to help stock and organize food shelves, as well as food donations that are specific to a traditional Thanksgiving spread.

Holiday food donations that are needed include fresh or frozen turkeys, stuffing and gravy mixed, pie crusts and fillings, a variety of dessert mixes (cake, cookie, brownie muffin, pudding and jello), boxed or canned potatoes, canned pumpkin, assorted canned vegetables, coffee and tea.

Food donations can be dropped off at the MVFB warehouse, located at 1703 Middlesex St. in Lowell, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For a complete list of items in need, visit [www.mvfb.org](http://www.mvfb.org).

The Wilmington Community Food Pantry started out in 1945 as a group of concerned citizens who wanted to lend a helping hand to fellow residents

who were in need of everyday necessities.

Today, the WCFP lends a hand to those in need with the motto "People helping people."

Through the generosity of local businesses, individuals, organizations and clubs, the WCFP continues to offer assistance to Wilmington residents faced with financial difficulties and food insecurity.

For the upcoming holiday season, WCFP is accepting donations of non-perishable foods.

Food items can be dropped off at one of the WCFP collection bins located at the Wilmington Market Basket and McKinnon's Supermarket.

Donations can also be brought directly to the Wilmington Community Food Pantry, located at 142 Chestnut St. (the old South School House) in Wilmington on Saturday mornings between 10 a.m. and noon.

Area residents are also familiar with the great work done by the Tewksbury Community Food Pantry, which has been an important local institution for the past 29 years, providing a lifeline to those facing food insecurity.

The TCFP is dedicated to providing both short and long term assistance to Tewksbury residents facing financial challenges.

Their services are made possible through the generous contributions from the community, and recently, the President of the TCFP, Bill Welch, expressed his gratitude to the community for their support throughout the year.

"On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to thank all the individuals and organizations in Tewksbury who support us during the year."

Welch continued, "We have a very generous town and your donations go a long way in helping the Tewksbury Community

Thanksgiving menu items needed for local food pantries.

(Heather Burns photos)

Pantry provide assistance to our fellow Tewksbury residents who struggle with food insecurity."

As the upcoming holiday season quickly approaches, TCFP is asking for continued support to help make the holiday season a little bit sweeter for those in need.

This holiday season the TCFP is in need of donations of the many treats that make the holidays special such as chocolates, nuts, cookies, hot chocolate and marshmallows.

The TCFP is also in need of everyday items such as:

Cereal, mac and cheese mix, peanut butter crackers, juice boxes, small bags of flour and sugar, facial tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, dish detergent, sponges, foil and plastic wraps, and food storage bags.

Please note that all food donations should have valid expiration dates and are not packaged in glass containers.

Donations can be dropped at any participating Tewksbury Church, the Tewksbury Public Library, or at the Food Pantry, located at 999 Whipple Road in Tewksbury.

To arrange drop off at the Pantry, Please call 978-858-2273 in advance to arrange a drop off, particularly if it is a large amount of food.

Donations can also be made online at [www.tewksburypantry.org](http://www.tewksburypantry.org).

This November, please consider participating in this season of giving with the gift of nourishment to one of the many needy charities in the Greater Boston and Greater Merrimack Valley areas.



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## Upcoming local events

**November 13,** Friends of the Library Dine Out at Kyoto. Dine in or take out all day and mention the Friends of the Library. A portion of your purchase will go to the Friends.

**November 13,** Tewksbury Garden Club Floral Fantasy Tour — Floral Techniques from Europe and Asia. Hilton Garden Inn, 4 Highwood Drive, Advance Tickets \$30 online Eventbrite, \$35 at the door. Door Prize, Cash Bar, Raffles, Refreshments.

**November 14,** 4 - 7 p.m., Tewksbury Indoor Community Market. Come visit all of your favorite outdoor market vendors IN-DOORS at the Senior Center. 30 vendors selling a variety of items. Contact Community/Economic Development Planner Alex Lowder at 978-640-4370 x 248 or [alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov](mailto:alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov) or Community Outreach Librarian Robert Hayes at 978-640-4490 x 205 or [rhayes@tewksburypl.org](mailto:rhayes@tewksburypl.org).

**October 15 - November 15,** Tewksbury Health Department Coat Drive. Drop off new or gently worn adult and children's coats on the lower level of town all. Clean and coats only please.

**December 6,** Town Tree Lighting, Tewksbury, 5 - 7 p.m., Town Common. Hot cocoa, ice sculpture selfies, balloons, marshmallow roast. Bring an unwrap-

ped toy for a child in need.

**December 7,** St. Williams Holiday Fair, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Crafts and food.

**December 7,** Showing of Philadelphia, Tewksbury Public Library, 5:30 p.m. In partnership with the Public Health Museum, learn about the AIDS crisis. Discussion to follow. Free. Register at [tewksburypl.org](http://tewksburypl.org).

**Thursdays, Saturdays,** and the first Sunday of the month, Public Health Museum, 365 East St., Open for indoor and campus tours. Check website for times. [Publichealthmuseum.org](http://Publichealthmuseum.org)

**Alternative House** Wishlist for the Holidays — There's No Excuse for Abuse — Notebooks, laundry items, arts and crafts supplies, new pillows, diapers and wipes, twin sheets, twin comforters. [Alternative-house.org](http://Alternative-house.org)

**Mother and Child** Holiday Gathering for Lowell, Tewksbury, Wilmington-Help supply small gifts for young parents and much needed clothing for their babies. Purchase items off our Amazon wishlist to help build ~75 parent bags — a volunteer team of elves will assemble the bags once items have arrived! You can see what items are needed by visiting <https://shorturl.at/sOK9R>

## 2024 Sharing Our Bounty Auction launches to benefit guests of Lazarus House

**LAWRENCE** — Lazarus House Ministries is pleased to share the details of their highly anticipated annual silent auction, which will close on Nov. 9, 2024, at 9 p.m. This year, in an effort to make participation more accessible, all items are open to bidders from the comfort of their homes, allowing community members near and far to join in and support a vital cause.

This auction is more than an opportunity to win unique and valuable items; it's a chance for bidders to extend a lifeline to individuals facing the hardships of material poverty, homelessness, and food insecurity. Every dollar raised will directly contribute to the comprehensive programs Lazarus House provides, from emergency shelter and transitional housing to nutritious meals and food pantry services for families and individuals in need.

"Our online auction is not just about winning bids, it's about winning hope for those in our community who need it most," said Carmen Vega, Executive Director at Lazarus House Ministries. "The funds raised through this event will empower us to continue our mission of providing essential services and

support to the increasing number of individuals and families struggling to find stability."

Participants can bid on an array of items including exclusive experiences, luxury gift baskets, artisan crafts, sporting tickets, experiences, and more. Each bid placed is a step toward building a stronger, more supportive community.

### How to Participate:

The auction is now live and will remain open until Nov. 9, 2024, at 9 p.m. Interested bidders can browse items and place bids by visiting <https://one.bidpal.net/sharingourbounty2024/browse/all>

Join us in making a meaningful impact and support Lazarus House Ministries' ongoing efforts to uplift and empower those in need. Your bid could change a life.

### About Lazarus House Ministries

Lazarus House Ministries has been serving the Merrimack Valley and Southern New Hampshire communities for over 40 years. Through their comprehensive services, the organization provides hope, dignity, and care to individuals and families facing poverty and homelessness.

## Healey-Driscoll Administration awards nearly half a million dollars to support family caregivers

**BOSTON** — The Healey-Driscoll Administration recognized November as Family Caregiver Month and announced that Massachusetts is set to receive \$490,000 in grant funding from the Administration for Community Living to support family caregivers. The award will be used over a two-year period to develop statewide activities that implement the goals, recommendations and actions outlined in the 2022 National Strategy to Support Family Caregivers.

"There are nearly 1 million family caregivers in Massachusetts who provide unpaid care to their loved ones. Being a family caregiver is often considered a full-time job in itself, and frequently leads to burnout, anxiety, and depression," said Governor Maura Healey. "Massachusetts is dedicated to supporting family caregivers, and this funding will allow us to create new, innovative policies to increase support for caregivers and reduce burnout."

"Family caregivers play a critical role in the home- and community-based services system by helping thousands of older people and individuals with disabilities and special needs to live and thrive in the communities of their choice," said Lieutenant Governor Kim

Driscoll. "We are proud to announce Massachusetts is one of four states selected to lead implementation of the national strategy to support family caregivers."

The funding will be used to develop policy aimed at increasing the well-being and reducing the stress of family caregivers by identifying priorities for caregivers and barriers to accessing services. The Executive Office of Elder Affairs will also develop and distribute a guide to resources for information and referral specialists for caregivers.

To honor the immense contributions family caregivers make to our communities, Governor Healey signed a proclamation declaring November as Family Caregiver Month.

"Family caregivers should be celebrated every day, but especially throughout Family Caregiver Month. Families are often the primary source of support for older adults and people with disabilities," said Health and Human Services Secretary Kate Walsh. "We recognize and thank Massachusetts' family caregivers for their around-the-clock dedication, scheduling, and hands-on care supports."

The Executive Office of Elder Affairs will lead

the grant funding implementation and partner with the Department of Developmental Services to focus on breaking down silos at the state level and engaging diverse populations that have been historically underserved and under-resourced.

"We have been actively engaging with our communities to learn how the Commonwealth can be more age- and dementia-friendly. A consistent theme is around caregiving and how we can do more to support family caregivers," said Executive Office of Elder Affairs Acting Secretary Robin Lipson. "Residents are calling out for more support for family caregivers, and we heard them. This grant will enable us to continue investing in our vital caregiving supports."

Other grantees include the California Department of Aging, Maryland Department of Aging, and Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

### About EOE:

The Executive Office of Elder Affairs provides quality aging-related resources, tools, and support through a network of regional non-profit agencies and municipal agencies across the state. The Agency partners with providers, caregiv-

ers, and the 1.7 million older adults in Massachusetts to help individuals live and thrive throughout the aging process.

### About ACL:

ACL was created around the fundamental principle that older adults and people of all ages with disabilities should be able to live where they choose, with the people they choose, and with the ability to participate fully in their communities.

By funding services and supports provided primarily by networks of community-based organizations, and with investments in research, education, and innovation, ACL helps make this principle a reality for millions of Americans.

This grant is supported by the Administration for Community Living (ACL), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$490,000 with 75% percentage funded by ACL/HHS and \$164,103 amount and 25% percentage funded by non-government source(s). The contents are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official views of, nor an endorsement, by ACL/HHS, or the U.S. Government.

## UAlbany welcomes Kaitlyn Smith of Wilmington

**ALBANY, NY** — The University at Albany is welcoming Kaitlyn Smith of Wilmington for the start of the fall 2024 semester.

Smith, who is majoring in Criminal Justice, is among some 5,430 new Great Danes to enroll this semester.

More than 2,800 first-year students, from 32,320 applicants, are joining UAlbany's Class of 2028, with 223 students selected to be part of the University's Honors College, and 226 students enrolled as Presidential Scholars.

In addition, more than 1,000 transfer students, including about 200 transfers from the College of Saint Rose, and 1,630 new graduate students are joining the campus community this fall.

The Class of 2028 is among the most diverse in University history, with 55.6 percent coming from historically underrepresented groups.

Students also hail from 23 different states and 33 countries. The class boasts an overall high school

average of 90.3 percent.

### About the

**University at Albany**  
The University at Albany is one of the most diverse public research institutions in the nation and a national leader in educational equity and social mobility. As a Carnegie-classified R1 institution, UAlbany faculty and students are advancing our understanding of the world in fields like artificial intelligence, atmospheric and environmental sciences, business, education, public health, social sciences, criminal justice, humanities, emergency preparedness, engineering, public administration, and social welfare.

Our courses are taught by an accomplished roster of faculty experts with student success at the center of everything we do. Through our parallel commitments to academic excellence, scientific discovery, and service to community, UAlbany molds bright, curious, and engaged leaders and launches great careers.

### Book Stew Review

## 'Five-Carat Soul' by Colson Whitehead

By **EILEEN MACDOUGALL**

These short stories are lively and thought-provoking, as befits the author of so many fine novels.

The first involves an antique toy buyer who is mad to purchase the rarest of rare train sets, originally owned by Robert E. Lee, but is astonished to find out more than he could imagine about the owner.

The next four stories feature the trials and tribulations of life in The Bottom, featuring the 11-year old members of the The Five-Carat Soul Bottom Bone Band, a murder, some racy photos, and the surprising secret uncovered by a beloved teacher.

A story about a prize-

fighter and others in Hell's Waiting Room has a sentimental and satisfying ending.

Next up is a heart wrenching turn by President Abraham Lincoln and his decision about ending slavery, following the death of his beloved son Willie.

There's also a touching WWII mystery story, where a PhD candidate researches a horrendous battle in Italy but finds the survivors and their tribute to a fallen hero.

The last story takes place in a zoo, where a zookeeper learns to communicate wordlessly with animals but pays a heavy price.

The four narrators are uniformly excellent, their mellow voices adding richness to the humor.

## Countdown to Christmas Mystery Gift Card Raffle

**TEWKSBURY** — Once again The Friends of the Tewksbury Public Library are sponsoring Countdown to Christmas Mystery Gift Card Raffle. A \$5 raffle ticket will offer you the chance to win a \$10 or greater gift card every day before Christmas, Dec. 1 - Dec. 24.

Purchase at least two raffle tickets and you will have the chance to win the bonus raffle of a \$100 gift card to Cafe Sicilia. Raffle tickets may be bought online at the Friends website or on select days at Tewksbury Public Library.

## Event to support veterans

**WILMINGTON** — Cub Scout Pack and Troop 136 are hosting an event to support veterans on Sunday, Nov. 16 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. The event is where we invite the public to write Christmas and holiday cards to veterans and is also a collection of clothing and toiletries and toys through

the US Marine Corps Toys for Tots program.

Christmas and holiday cards are provided for signing and light refreshments will be served. Questions: Please contact Frank West 978-658-1754. All items collected will be donated to various VA Hospitals through iPods for Vets.

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## Carol Ann (Pihl) Skilling

Nurse at Family Medical Center in Wilmington

Carol Ann (Pihl) Skilling, age 83, a 59-year resident of Wilmington, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024.

She was born on March 26, 1941, in Boston. She was the cherished daughter of the late Roy and Evelyn (Hadfield) Pihl.

She was the beloved sister of Dick, Patty Crow, Judy Suchecki, and Tom.

She was raised in Milton and graduated from Milton High School in 1958.

Carol began dating her late husband Gerald "Jerry" Skilling when they were just 13 and 14 years old and never looked back. They married in 1959 and first lived together in France, where Jerry was stationed with the U.S. Army.

There they began their large family with the birth of their first son, Randy, just before moving back to the states, where they had four more children: Rob, Janet, Sandy, and Roger.

Carol was a devoted mom, serving as Brownie leader and Cub Scout leader for each of her children. Once all her kids were in school, she channeled her abundant talent in caring for others toward a career in nursing.

While still handling all of the household needs of the family, she studied in every spare moment to earn her LPN, RN, and BSN. Over four decades, she worked in various area hospitals, including the Family Medical Center in Wilmington and Winchester Hospital, where she spent her last days and fondly reminisced with former colleagues.

Carol and Jerry were long-time members of the Congregational Church in Wilmington.

In retirement, Carol enjoyed traveling with Jerry for many years, reaching all 50 states and Europe. They enjoyed a long, loving, and dedicated marriage of over 60 years.

Carol will be greatly missed and fondly remembered as the selfless, ever-kind, and ever-faithful sister, wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother she was and always will be in our hearts.

Carol and Jerry had five children: Randy (wife Karen), Robert (wife Janice), Janet Beecher, Sandy Miller, and Roger (wife Shannon).

She was the loving "Granny" to 14 grandchildren and six great grandchildren: Angie, Terry, Courtney,



Robbie, Samantha, Kristina, Tracey, Paul, Alex, Jenna, Jacob, Sam, Harry, Jack, Gracie, Michael, Scarlett, Zoey, Miles, and Clark.

Family and friends will gather for visitation at Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt 62), Wilmington, on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. immediately followed by a service and reception at the Congregational Church in Wilmington at 220 Middlesex Ave.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Carol's name may be made to Congregational Church in Wilmington, 220 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, MA 01887.

To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at [www.nicholsfuneralhome.com](http://www.nicholsfuneralhome.com)

## Theresa M. 'Terry' (Kennedy) Hanlon

Worked for the Red Cross as nurses aide

Theresa M. "Terry" (Kennedy) Hanlon, age 92, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away in the presence of love on Nov. 3, 2024.

Terry was born on Sept. 18, 1932, in Boston; she was the cherished daughter of the late Edward and Teresa (Schroeder) Kennedy. Terry grew up in Medford and graduated from Medford High School.

As a child, Terry spent many summers at Martin's Pond in North Reading with her family. She treasured many wonderful memories of those summers and often told stories of growing up there. North Reading will always have a special place in her heart; her father, Edward, was a petitioner to bring St. Theresa's Church to North Reading.

After graduating from high school, Terry went to work for the Red Cross as a nurse's aide. Her special ability to nurture and care for others was a true asset to the Red Cross.

Terry married her husband, Bill Hanlon, on May 14, 1955, and in 1959 they settled in their forever home on Sprucewood Road. Terry and Bill had a "full house" and created a loving home for their six children and 29 foster children over the years.

Terry and Bill were selfless and devoted to caring for others; they had a beautiful bond and were able to help others in need. In 1979, they were chosen to receive the Diamond Jubilee Award from the Arch Dioceses of

Boston, in recognition of their care of children.

Terry's whole life was centered around caring for others, especially the babies. She was happiest when she was holding a baby and could often be seen pushing the pram down the street; she was in her glory.

Terry was honored to receive the "Woman of the Year" award presented by the Reading Business & Professional Women's Club during the "Year of the Child."

When the babies grew up and went on their way, Terry went to work at T.J. Maxx in Wilmington. Terry had a fun personality and made many friends with her co-workers and customers. After 20 years, Terry retired from her position.

In recent years, Terry and her son, Tommy, moved to Kingwood, TX with her daughter Patti and son-in-law, Joe. Terry was happy to spend time with her family in the nice weather.

Terry will be remembered as a "true angel on earth" and she embodied a life of love and nurture, which is proof that angels walk among us. She will be remembered for her kindness and gentle love of her family.

Terry was the beloved wife of the late William J. "Bill" Hanlon, devoted mother of Pat Hanlon-Pena and her husband Joe of Kingwood, TX, Kathy McNamara and her husband Tom of Westford, Billy Hanlon and his wife Janice of Billerica, Lori Zambarnardi and her husband Bill of Ipswich,



Tommy Hanlon of Kingwood, TX, Annie Hanlon of Lowell, and 29 foster children; loving "Nana" of Catherine, Corey and Dana, Jonathan, Brett and Erika, Emily and Danny, William, Andrew, Ava, Rihanna, Joel and Sylvia, and Candace and Steven; and great-grandmother of Delaney, Shea, Avery, Stephanie, and Avery.

Terry is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and many dear friends.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 9 a.m. immediately followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Theresa's Church, 63 Winter Street, North Reading at 10:30 a.m. Interment to follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting hours will be held at the Funeral Home on Monday, Nov. 18 from 4 - 7 p.m.

Memorial donations in Terry's name may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

## Richard Alfred Morrisette

Joined the United States Air Force

Richard Morrisette, known as Dick, daddy, or papa, at 92 years young, passed away peacefully

with loved ones at his side, at the Sawtelle Family Hospice House on Nov. 8, 2024.

He was born on June 7, 1932, to his now deceased parents, Alfred and Alma

Morrisette, in Fall River. He was predeceased by his sister, Joan Grant of Rhinebeck, NY, who passed away in 2019 and his wife, Eileen Morrisette who passed away March 4, 1975.

He leaves behind Wendy Morrisette, his wife of 45 years, his daughter Deborah Bickmore and husband Bill Bickmore, his

daughter Catherine Cram and husband Richard Cram, and his stepdaughter Jacky Kieras and her partner Anthony Stott. He also leaves behind 10 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren who loved him dearly.

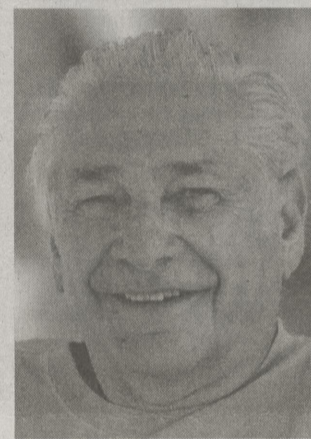
He had a full childhood where he spent many years living on the Spencer Borden Interlachen Farm in Fall River where his dad was the mechanic for the Borden family. They also helped care for the many horses on the farm.



## Lions Club Princess Harvest Ball

Below, Tewksbury Lions Club members Loretta Ryan, Kelly Farias, Dottie O'Donnell, Devin Frechette, Steve Frechette, John Deputat, and Sue Duffy worked to put on the Princess Harvest Ball for young princesses and their dads recently. The princesses were the guests at the ball, decorated with balloons, complete with DJ, pizza, a carnation and more. The event was held at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks hall on South Street. Attendees at the Lions Club Princess Ball enjoyed dancing.

(Courtesy photos)



His passion for automobiles and mechanics developed from helping his dad while living on the farm. They lived in a carriage house on the property. The family then moved to Swansea where he attended Morton Junior High and graduated from Joseph Case High School. Dick attended Northeastern University and graduated with a degree in Engineering. His first cars included a 1954 Pontiac Convertible and Plymouth Skylark Rycom.

Dick joined the Air Force on Sept. 10, 1952. He trained at Sampson AFB in NY and Keeler AFB in Mississippi at The Electronics Training Center. Then was stationed at Bisha Gawa AFB in Okla-

nawa, Japan and served through 1956.

He loved to tell the story of how he also ran the projector to show movies while he was there. During his service, he was also at Chandler AFB in Minnesota where he excelled at the gun club and began his love for pistol shooting competitively. He then extended his service through the Air Force Reserves and was honorably discharged on Aug. 31, 1960.

While Dick was enlisted, he married Eileen Lomasd Wardle on Aug. 22, 1953. Once he was discharged, they lived in Peabody where they had twins, Cathy and Debby, born on June 17, 1957. In 1962, they moved to Wilmington.

They loved to spend weekends out on the boat, a Grady White named DebCat, fishing in the ocean, enjoying the sun, looking for whales and just being together as a family. Camping for two weeks every summer at Long Lake Campground in Bridgton, ME was also a family tradition.

He also loved the excitement of NASCAR auto races on TV and live at NH Motor Speedway.

On March 24, 1979, Dick

married Wendy Jeffreys. In 1988, they purchased property at Lake Shore Park on Lake Winnepesaukee. They purchased a 1980 Sea Ray they named Second Time Around.

He continued his passion for boating on the Lake. Dick loved classic cars and antique boats. Some favorite adventures with him include whale watches, hot air balloon rides, days at the race track, driving around the track at NH Motor speedway, flying around the lake on a seaplane, family cruise on the Mount Washington where Dick got to meet the captain and steer the ship, boat ride around the lake on the classic wooden Millie B, watching him fly in a WWII Boeing PT-17 Tuskegee Stearman, visiting the Newport Classic Car Museum, and more.

Dick was also a very active member of the North Reading Rifle Club, serving as president and treasurer for more than 40 years. He also was a long-time member of the Pistol team and ran all the gun safety courses for 40 years.

Dick had a long career of 35+ years as an engineer at Honeywell, where he worked on projects for the military, aviation, for the NASA AIPM Satellite and some of the Apollo Space missions, bringing the family down to the Kennedy Space Center to witness some exciting live launches.

Richard, Dick, daddy, papa will be remembered for his adventurous spirit, his love of family and his bright smile.

Services: A Celebration of Life service will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Congregational Church, 220 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, M.A. at 11 a.m. followed by a short Veteran's graveside service at the Wildwood cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the American Cancer Society, <https://donate.cancer.org/>

**Tewksbury Lions Club Presents**  
the 3rd Annual  
**Princess Harvest Ball**  
Sunday, November 3, 2024  
Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks  
777 South St. Tewksbury

Session 1	Session 2
1:00pm - 2:30pm	3:30pm - 5:00pm
Pre-K - 2nd grade	3rd - 5th grade

**Tickets: \$20 per person**

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets or to learn more!

Tickets include Dancing, Pizza, Snacks, Photo Stations, and a carnation for each attending princess!

Questions? Email the Tewksbury Lions Club  
[princessharvestball@gmail.com](mailto:princessharvestball@gmail.com)

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## CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P5874EA

Estate of:  
Marguerite Marie Harrington  
Also known as:  
Marguerite M Harrington  
Date of Death: 11/05/2023

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by David F Harrington of Tewksbury MA and Debra A Gavin of Tewksbury MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: David F Harrington of Tewksbury MA and Debra A Gavin of Tewksbury MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/04/2024.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

## UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 06, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
Register of Probate

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## CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

Docket No. MI24C1043CA

In the matter of:  
PETER WAYNE AYER

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by PETER WAYNE AYER of Wilmington MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree changing their name to: Peter Wayne Ayer

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/02/2024.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 04, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
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## CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P3445EA

Estate of:  
Mary E Belanger  
Date of Death: 02/23/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by: Charlene D Voyer of Dracut MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Charlene D Voyer of Dracut MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/03/2024.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 05, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
Register of Probate

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## TOWN OF WILMINGTON PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on December 3, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Site Plan Review #24-19, Stormwater Management Permit #24-18, Section 6.6.7.7 Groundwater Protection District Special Permit #24-09, and Sign Special Permit #24-06, plan entitled, "Site Plan, Wilmington Retail Management, LLC, Proposed Multi-Tenant Development"; dated August 30, 2022, last revised September 20, 2024, prepared by Joshua H. Kline, P.E., Stonefield Engineering & Design, 120 Washington Street, Salem, MA 01970. The application is for the amendment to the approved site plan to re-configure the parking area to allow for a drive-up ATM, and for the allowance of signage that exceeds the Wilmington Zoning Bylaws. Said property is located at 208 Main Street and shown on Assessor's Map 44 Parcels 178B & 178C.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Terence Boland, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board

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## TOWN OF WILMINGTON SELECT BOARD

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## CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI24P5836EA

Estate of:  
Jacquelyn Marie Walsh  
Also known as:  
Jacquelyn M. Walsh  
Date of Death: 08/04/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Patricia Pomerleau of Rumney NH and James F. Walsh, Jr. of Nashua NH requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Patricia Pomerleau of Rumney NH and James F. Walsh, Jr. of Nashua NH be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration

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WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 06, 2024

Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
Register of Probate

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## LEGAL NOTICE



## TOWN OF TEWKSBURY BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on November 21, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by David Plunkett on behalf of MCP/Howland Burr Owner LLC for a variance under Section 6.3.A for setbacks, 6.3.11 for relief from the landscape buffer requirement & 5.3.4 for relief from the height restriction of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw, & in order to construct a support column for a 45'x14.6' billboard facing interstate 93 as shown on plans filed with this Board

Said property is located at 3 Executive Place, Andover- Assessor's Map 115, Lot 7 zoned Industrial 1.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at [www.tewksbury-ma.gov](http://www.tewksbury-ma.gov). Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org)

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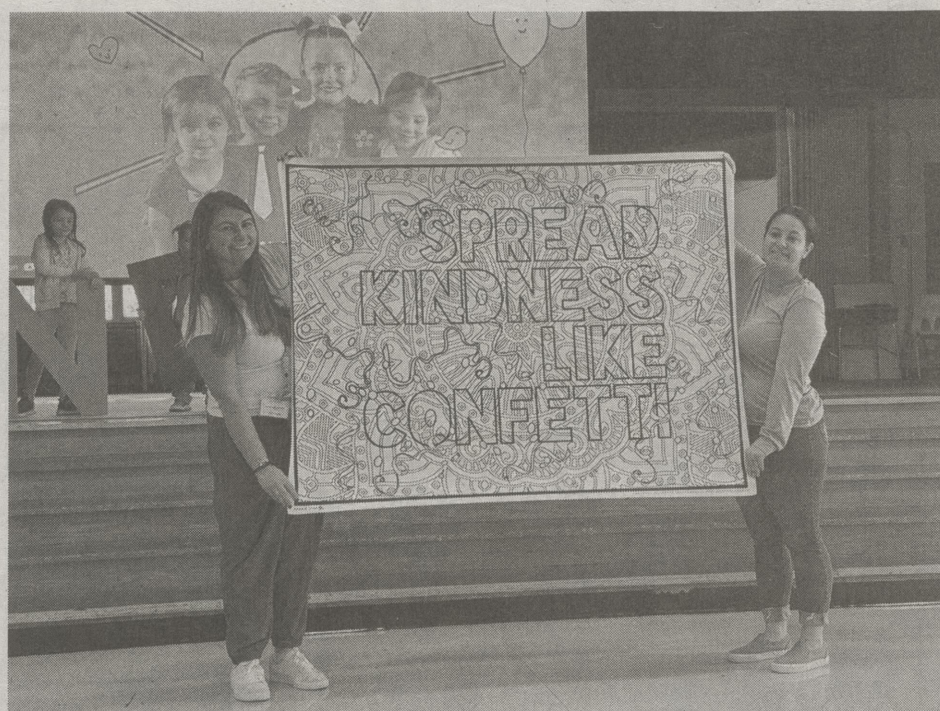
local property tax policy with reference to classification for FY 2025 taxation purposes will be held at the Town Hall on Monday, November 25, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Interested taxpayers may present their views on classification policy at the hearing or in writing to the Town Manager's Office until 4:30 p.m. on that date.

Gregory B. Bendel, Chair  
Select Board

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(Courtesy photos)

## Connor's Kindness Project launches Kids Kindness Club at Dewing School

TEWKSBURY — Connor's Kindness Project (CKP), a Lynnfield and Woburn-based nonprofit

dedicated to promoting kindness and community service among children, proudly announces the launch of its Kids Kindness Club at Loella F. Dewing Elementary School, located at 1469 Andover St. in Tewksbury.

This elementary school enrichment program is designed to foster empathy, inclusiveness, and community engagement among students, serving as a proactive approach to nurturing positive school culture and combating bullying.

With an enrollment of 360 students, Dewing Elementary has a strong commitment to fostering a nurturing and supportive learning environment. The staff is known for being caring, fun, and deeply dedicated to the success of each student, emphasizing collaboration between families and educators for holistic student development.

Recognizing the importance of building a foundation of kindness and compassion, the school's Parent Advisory Council (PAC) funded the Kids Kindness Club to further promote these core values.

As part of this new initiative, every student at Dewing Elementary took a special Pledge of Kindness, solidifying their commitment to making their school and community a better place. Each student will complete 20 acts of kindness throughout the school year, earning a Certificate of Kindness and a "Kindness is My Superpower" sticker to celebrate their achievements and inspire continued positive actions.

Connor's Kindness Project, founded during the COVID-19 pandemic by then 12-year-old Connor Wright, has grown from a grassroots operation to a recognized non-profit reaching thousands of children. The organization's mission is to enhance the lives of children facing adversity through direct support and enrichment programs that encourage kindness, inclusiveness, and social responsibility.

Since its launch, CKP has distributed over 10,000 Kindness Kits and impacted more than 15,000 students through its Kids Kindness Club, with the goal of expanding the program to reach 30 new schools annually.

"Starting the Kids Kind-

ness Club at Dewing Elementary is a significant step in empowering young children to understand the importance of empathy and community service from an early age," said Sharon Marrama, co-founder and Executive Director of CKP. "We are thrilled that the PAC recognized the importance of this program and invested in bringing more kindness into the community."

The Kids Kindness Club aims to provide students with opportunities to engage in acts of kindness that build character and foster a sense of connection with their peers and community. By promoting kindness as a core value, CKP hopes to inspire a ripple effect that extends beyond the classroom and into everyday life.

"I really liked the kindness campaign and learning all of the nice ways we can be a good friend," said Stella Sorrentino — student.

"We loved it! As a preschool teacher, I love how it is a campaign that is accessible for even the youngest students in the school to participate in! I've seen many acts of kindness that have been inspired around the school, including one of the first graders down the hall from my class leaving positive affirmation notes on the cubbies of each of my preschool students," said Alyssa Cappiello — teacher.

For schools or organizations interested in learning more about the Kids Kindness Club and how to get involved, please contact Sharon Marrama at [sharon@connorskindnessproject.org](mailto:sharon@connorskindnessproject.org).

## About Connor's Kindness Project

Connor's Kindness Project is a non-profit dedicated to supporting children through acts of kindness and educational enrichment programs. With a mission rooted in compassion and inclusivity, CKP continues to make a meaningful difference in the lives of children across New England. To date, the organization has partnered with over 70 hospitals and shelters to deliver Kindness Kits and launched its Kids Kindness Club in over 40 schools, encouraging students to perform acts of kindness and contribute positively to their communities.

## SIX double-casted to highlight many talented performers

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star of today.

This unusual music genre has been a challenge for all the Lamplighter members, including the costume team.

Co-costume designer Jake Beldeka, grade 9, said, "(We must) find ways we can incorporate historically accurate elements into contemporary styling" and the final results show the team was definitely up to the challenge.

The show also features outstanding sets built by the Lamplighter's construction crew, and includes four-foot tall, fully lighted, marquee letters that spell out SIX.

In order to highlight the many talented performers of the Lamplighters, this show has been double casted, with each cast performing two of the four shows.

The two casts of queens consist of Olivia Saragosa/Claire Soucy as Catherine of Aragon, Caroline Donovan/Roisin Sullivan as Anne Boleyn, Allison Hall/Kyra Turner as Jane Seymour, Kayden Bridge/Christina Ho as Anna of Cleves, Briah Sirbak/Chloe Harbert-Serafino as Katherine Howard and Emily Hall/Kaia Donn as Catherine Parr. Each queen will have their own featured ensemble that will support their "queen" with show-stopping choreography and vocals.

Emily Hall, grade 9, who is one of the two actors cast to play Catherine Parr, stated, "It is a whole new style of music to learn to dance to, sing with, and act around, and this growth makes putting on this show a fantastic experience."

All performances will

take place at the Wilmington High School Joanne M. Benton Auditorium, located at 159 Church St.

Performance dates are Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Nov. 21, 22, & 23) at 6:30 p.m. There will also be a 1 p.m. matinee performance on Saturday, Nov. 23.

The cast, crew and members of the Lamplighters Drama Guild encourage the public to join them for an uplifting musical experience.

Lamplighter members also extend their gratitude for the ongoing support from the community which allows future performances to be possible.

Tickets are \$15 for general admission, \$10 for students and seniors, and WPS staff are free.

To purchase tickets, visit the link: [cur8.com/projects/whslamplighters](http://cur8.com/projects/whslamplighters).

## Shawsheen to host annual Fall Fair on Nov. 23

BILLERICA — Shawsheen Valley Technical High School invites the community to its annual Fall Fair on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. This cherished event is the perfect opportunity to jump-start holiday shopping and support local artisans and makers. With over 70 vendors, attendees can expect a wide array of unique, handmade items — including gifts for pets!

The Mark Donovan "Dunnie" Gymnasium will transform into a lively marketplace offering high-quality jewelry, clothing, candles, seasonal decor, woodwork, glasswork, and more. In addition to shopping, guests can enjoy a delicious selection of homemade treats, pastries, and even ice cream. Kids can join in the fun with face painting and temporary tattoos.

This family-friendly event is free and open to all. Bring friends, neighbors, and the whole family to celebrate the season and

support local artisans. Don't miss this festive community tradition!

### About Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational Technical School District

Established in 1965, Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational Technical School District (SVRVTS) stands as a beacon of educational excellence, placing students at the center of its mission. Proudly serving the communities of Billerica, Bedford, Burlington, Tewksbury, and Wilmington, Shawsheen caters to the diverse needs of over 1,300 students in grades 9-12.

Dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in education, Shawsheen seamlessly integrates academics with a dynamic range of over 20 vocational-technical career pathways. Located in Billerica, Shawsheen's expansive 100-acre campus hosts an exceptional school building adorned with high-end and industry rele-

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## Board approves signing of access license and agreement with Olin Corporation

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original. Slagle recalled how the town bought a surplus of barrels that they store, and he would find out whether that's truly the case.

They reviewed the item to consider signing the access license and agreement with Olin Corporation. Slagle explained that this would renew an access license and agreement provided to Olin in many years ago. He said this update is an exact replica of the original agreement.

Should it be signed, it would allow Olin to do testing on town property impacted by the contamination, which Slagle added is something that the town wants to see continued.

Frank West asked to confirm that town counsel had renewed this contract, and Slagle verified they had. With that, the board voted to approve the signing of the access license and agreement.

The board also voted in favor of appointing Suzanne Clarkin as a member of the Building Reuse Committee representing the Commission on Disabilities.

Christine Guy requested on behalf of We're

One Wilmington to place promotional signs on the town common from Nov. 21 through Dec. 9 for the Festival of Trees. The board approved this request as well.

During public comment, Kevin MacDonald asked about the difference in the total proposed between the former and new trash and recycling contracts, and Slagle stated that the difference was over \$316,000. MacDonald also suggested that the DPW didn't receive enough requests for proposals and the town consider other options similar to that of Winchester's program and transfer station.

He also asked if they were aware that the Olin property had been sold and whether they did anything regarding his concern about getting justice for the people of Wilmington impacted by the contamination. Gary DePalma replied that he stated previously how the town's cancer studies are subject to litigation.

In announcements, DePalma recognized the town's fire department, law enforcement, and public safety dispatchers in honor of First Responders' Day.

Chair Greg Bendel wish-

ed everyone a happy Halloween and encouraged them to be safe and have fun trick-or-treating. He also invited residents to vote on election day and shared appreciation for the town clerk's office working to offer early voting and preparing for Nov. 5.

Slagle mentioned that they had already reached 30 percent turnout in the second week of early voting.

Caira announced the upcoming Veterans' Day ceremonies on Monday Nov. 11, and Bendel added that these would honor and thank veterans.

Bendel also mentioned that the Horribles Parade saw a great turnout.

Lilia Maselli highlighted the upcoming Festival of Trees on Dec. 6-8.

The Salute to Service that night honored US Air Force Veteran Robert "Bud" Callahan, who served from July 1954 to April 1958. Bendel highlighted his receipt of the National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. He also mentioned Callahan's countless hours raising money for the Knights of Columbus and his active membership in the church.



American Legion veteran John Wallace and Sons of the Legion Chaplain Frank West replaced the flagpole at the home of Sandy Cosman. Sandy's husband Dan Cosman was a veteran and put up the original flagpole many years ago. Members of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars members were involved in the replacement of the flagpole. (Courtesy photo)

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## Ahern Family Charitable Foundation to host annual Army-Navy luncheon

WOBURN — The Ahern Family Charitable Foundation will hold its 21st annual Army-Navy Football Luncheon fundraiser on Saturday, Dec. 14, 2024 at the Scoreboard Sports Bar & Grill in Woburn. Proceeds from the luncheon will support Massachusetts children of fallen and deployed troops this holiday season through Operation Santa-Massachusetts, a program created in partnership with the Military Friends Foundation.

Tickets are available now at [ahernfoundation.org](http://ahernfoundation.org).

As part of the luncheon, attendees of the event will watch the 125th Army-Navy Football game across dozens of widescreen HDTVs in the Scoreboard Sports Bar & Grill. When

they aren't watching one of the oldest rivalries in American sports, guests will also enjoy a buffet lunch, raffles, and silent and live auctions.

In addition, local media personalities, entertainers and business people join the event's Honorary Host Committee and will be in attendance including WBZ 1030AM Traffic Reporter Lori Grande, CBS Boston Reporter Levan Reid, Magic 106.7 Morning Host David O'Leary, Boston Radio Personality Amy Brooks, WBZ 1030 AM's Matt Phipps, Boston 25 News Chief Meteorologist Kevin Lemanowicz, WHDH-TV's Kimberly Bookman, and others.

The Ahern Family Charitable Foundation is a Massachusetts-based non-

profit organization established in 2001 after the 9/11 terrorist attacks. Through fundraising efforts, the foundation makes financial grants to military support organizations that provide services to veterans and current members of the U.S. military and their families.

The annual luncheon raises funds to support Operation Santa-Massachusetts through a partnership with the Military Friends Foundation, a non-profit organization that provides financial assistance to families associated with the Massachusetts National Guard and Reserve.

Proceeds will be used to provide holiday gift cards to more than 100 children of deployed and fallen Mas-



(Courtesy photos)

sachusetts soldiers. To date the Army-Navy Football Luncheon fundraiser has raised more than \$150,000.

"We are delighted to hold the 21st Army-Navy Football Luncheon," said Bob Ahern, President of The Ahern Family Charitable Foundation. "Every

year, we eagerly anticipate giving back. Supporting military families during the holiday season is truly rewarding, and I am grateful we can continue doing so."

The 21st annual Army-Navy Football Luncheon will take place Dec. 14 at Scoreboard Sports Bar &

Grill located at 15 Middlesex Canal Park Dr, Woburn, MA 01801.

For tickets and additional information about the Army-Navy Football Luncheon and Ahern Family Charitable Foundation, visit [ahernfoundation.org](http://ahernfoundation.org).



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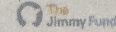
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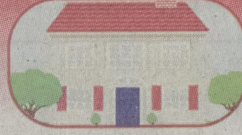
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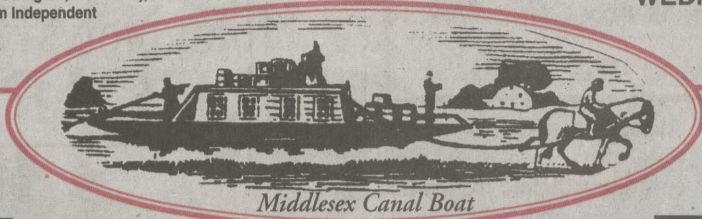
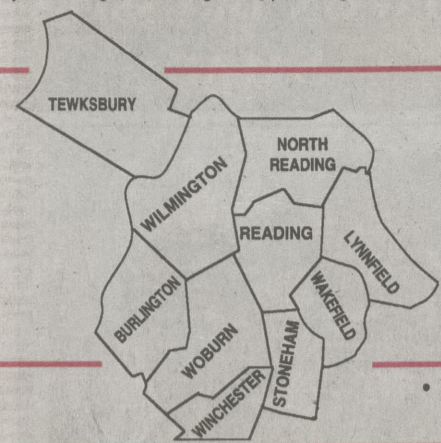


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## Winchester grapples with new ADU bylaw

By RYAN LaROCHE

Back in August, the state legislature passed and the governor signed into law a bill dealing with Accessory Dwelling Units. An ADU is a secondary residential unit on a single-family lot, either attached or detached, with a separate entrance and cooking space.

The bill, applicable to all communities, even those with an ADU bylaw already in place, makes ADUs allowable by right and open to all residents. However, ADUs can be no larger than 900 square feet and can be subject to site plan review.

For any community that already has an ADU bylaw, it has three choices: do nothing and wait for the new law to take effect on Feb. 2, 2025, amend the current bylaw by simply removing non-compliant language or adapt the bylaw to the new state language. Last Thursday, after hours of debate, Winchester chose to adapt its bylaw. Although the final vote was nowhere near unanimous, it passed.

Winchester originally passed an ADU bylaw two years ago that allowed one ADU per single-family or duplex lot in order to provide property owners with an opportunity to age in place by creating an independent living space for persons over the age of 62 and to provide a living space for persons with disabilities that will allow them to live independently and also qualify for financial assistance that depends on the presence of a separate entrance, a bathroom and cooking facilities within their residence.

Either the ADU or the main residence had to be owner-occupied.

Under Winchester's new bylaw, to conform to meet state regulations, an ADU no longer needs to be owner-occupied. ADUs can also not be restricted to only people over the age of 62 or with a disability. New language reads:

"In all districts, ADUs may be constructed or established as a matter of right on a lot where a single family dwelling exists or is allowed or by special permit on a lot where a duplex dwelling exists or is allowed, provided the following conditions are met..."

Originally, the language allowed for someone to construct an ADU on a lot with a duplex without needing a special permit. But, with ADUs now allowed by right for all residents, the Planning Board, who crafted the new bylaw, decided it made sense to add in the special permit component (possibly concerned the number of ADUs in town may spike).

"We are a pro-ADU board," Planning Board Chair Keri Layton told Town Meeting on Thursday night.

She noted how the town's ADU bylaw simply allowed older residents to age in place or those with a disability to live independently. Now, with the change on the state level, uses for ADUs "have exploded" to include affordable housing and letting adult children move back home, among others. (It should be noted the town cannot require affordable housing.)

Some of the guidelines residents must meet include

- only having one ADU per lot "unless an additional ADU is allowed by a special permit"
- complying with the zoning district in the Table of Dimensional Requirements in Section 4 under which the ADU, primary dwelling unit and the lot they are on reside (otherwise, an applicant may seek zoning relief through the Zoning Board of Appeals)
- the ADU being no larger in gross floor area than one half of the gross floor area of the principal dwelling unit (if accessory to a duplex, then it would apply to the larger of the two units) or 900 square feet, whichever is less
- compatibility with the primary residence (to be enforced by the zoning enforcement officer with possible assistance from the Design Review Committee)

• keeping exterior entrances secondary in appearance to the primary entrance

• creating a secondary egress for an upper floor ADU created within a primary dwelling unit within the envelope of the structure or constructing it on the exterior to the rear or side of the primary unit

• complying with all residential occupancy and building permit regulations

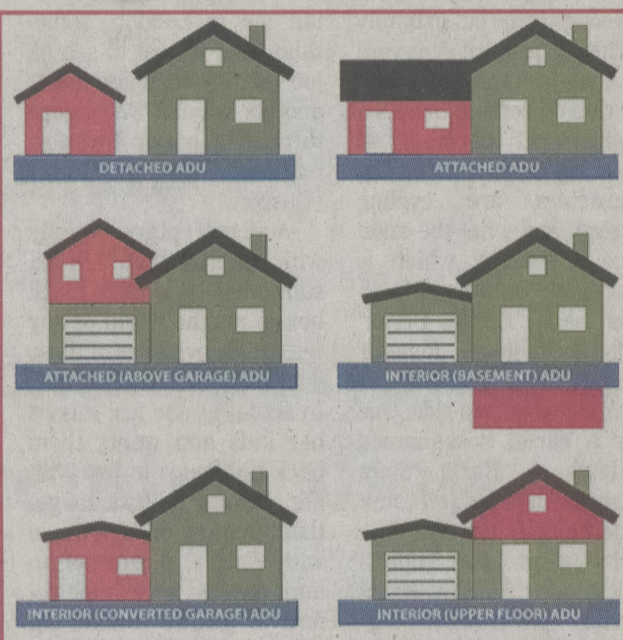
• supplying one off-street parking space for all ADUs except those within one-half mile of a commuter rail station or bus station (and parking spaces may include a driveway or garage, though constructing a new garage would trigger the need for a special permit)

• not using ADUs as short-term rentals, a term defined in General Laws Chapter 64G, Subsection 1 or otherwise rented for a period shorter than 31 days

• subjecting all ADUs to site plan review

The last condition caused the most strife. Many Town Meeting members wanted to see the need for site plan review stricken from the bylaw. Layton, admitting that site plan review can be a cumbersome process, also acknowledged how the new bylaw, opening up ADUs to everyone, could increase the town's population and "roughly double the density of the town."

She said site plan review will involve the Planning Board,



**CHANGES FOR WINCHESTER** - Under Winchester's new bylaw, to conform to meet state regulations, Accessory Dwelling Units no longer need to be owner-occupied. ADUs can also not be restricted to only people over the age of 62 or with a disability. (Courtesy Graphic)

Historical Commission, Design Review Committee, Disability Access Commission, and the Conservation Commission. Layton also said her board tried to "create a stream-lined process" but also "be thoughtful."

Even with the site plan review component, the Select Board voted, 4-1, to recommend favorable action. The Affordable Housing Trust, though, recommended unfavorable action. Chair Marty Jones said while they strongly advocated for the original bylaw, they don't support the addition of site plan review in the new bylaw. She called it "too excessive," adding how ADUs are already limited by a square footage designation of 900.

The Housing Partnership Board, meanwhile, called for indefinite postponement in a 7-1 vote. Chair John Surbier said the proposed amendments in the new bylaw will "dis-

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## Movie Reviews & Box Office News

### 'Emilia Pérez' is a musical, pulpy crime thriller

By LINDSEY BAHR  
AP Film Writer

There is so much going on in "Emilia Pérez," the audacious musical/melodrama/crime-thriller from filmmaker Jacques Audiard, it's impossible not to appreciate the sheer ambition of it all.

There is obvious craft and moments of true transcendence, beauty and horror. Set around Mexico City, this is a movie about family, about ambition, about the possibility of change, carrels, human disappearances, gender-affirmation, money and corruption.

Sometimes the characters break into fantastical musical numbers: Some are filled with rage, others with joy and hope. Other times the songs come out in barely a whisper. And yet even with all that life and color and passion on screen, there's a distinct rift between all those big emotions that the characters are cycling through and what the audience is feeling, which is practically nothing. It's almost as if "Emilia Pérez" forgot to invite us along for the ride.

And it is quite a ride: One day a cartel boss named Manitas ( Karla Sofía Gascón ) has a smart, but undervalued lawyer Rita Mora Castro ( Zoe Saldña ) kidnapped. Manitas wants gender confirmation surgery, and for Rita to handle the logistics: Hiring the discreet surgeon, faking Manitas' death and transporting the wife, Jessi ( Selena Gomez ) and two kids to their new home in Switzerland. In return, Rita will get rich. Somehow, this is only



KARLA SOFÍA GASCÓN as the title character in a scene from the Netflix film "Emilia Pérez".

the first act.

Four years later, Rita's gotten a glow up. Gone are her bushy eyebrows and frumpy suit, replaced with the kind of grooming only money and genetics like Saldña's can produce. And she's leading a cosmopolitan life in London, something that we get to see all too briefly, when she meets another woman who's gone through a major transformation, Emilia Pérez (Gascón).

Audiard plays briefly with the idea that Rita assumes Emilia is there to kill her, to rid the world of any remaining evidence of those who know what happened. In actuality, she just misses her kids and wants them back in Mexico to live with her. It's up to Rita to get them to move once more, in with Emilia, posing as an aunt they've never met before if you're wondering where all those "Mrs. Doubtfire" comparisons come into play. ( The bloody "Sicario" stuff is yet to come).

Saldña lends a captivating fierceness to Rita, despite being a terribly underwritten character. It's

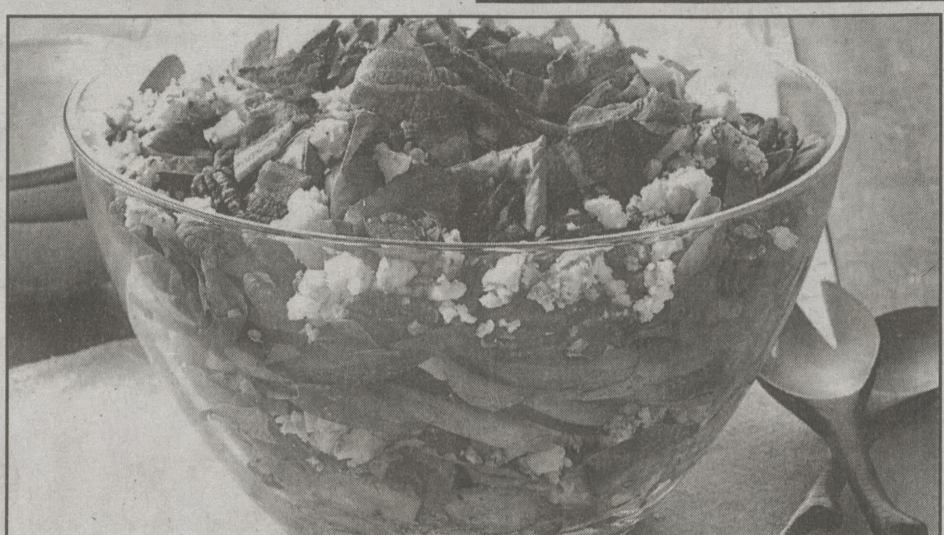
strange to spend so much time with someone and feel entirely detached from who they are and what they want. She just follows others around, a receptacle for everyone else's decisions with little arc or agency of her own.

Early on in the film Rita debates (in song) with a plastic surgeon in Hong Kong about whether or not changing the body has any effect on the soul. He doesn't think so. She does, and even goes a step further, singing "changing the soul changes society, changing society changes everything." It's a lovely idea that the film handles clumsily in its maximalist, go-for-broke way that values massive setpieces and high drama over authentic emotion.

At first Emilia seems entirely changed, no longer the vindictive, jealous, violent cartel leader she once was. She is soft spoken, empathetic and happy. She starts a foundation to find all the disappeared people and give their families the chance of a proper burial and farewell. She even finds love. And yet she can't handle watching Jessi move on. — and not necessarily the fun ones. Here, it could even read as dangerously reductive.

Jessi sometimes feels like she's part of an entirely different film, or rather a music video that seems to be paying homage somehow to Pedro Almodóvar, David Lynch and Robert Rodriguez. It is fun and wild at times, and Gomez fully commits to the bit of this woman who is being gaslit into insanity. But she and

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3. Increase oven temperature to 425°F. In large bowl, toss Brussels sprouts, salt, pepper, Worcestershire sauce and maple syrup with 1/4 cup of the bacon drippings. Reserve remaining drip-

- pings for another use. Toss to coat and transfer to the pan used to cook the bacon. Roast 30 to 45 minutes or until sprouts brown and are tender when pierced with skewer or paring knife. Stir sprouts and cooking liquid; cool on pan, about 15 minutes.
4. In large bowl, toss apples thoroughly in vinegar, then drain and transfer to plate.
  5. In 6-quart trifle bowl or glass bowl, layer as follows: Start with the sprouts, being careful to keep sides of bowl clean while filling. Top with half of the spinach, then half of the blue cheese. Add apples, then remaining spinach, pecans, remaining blue cheese and bacon.

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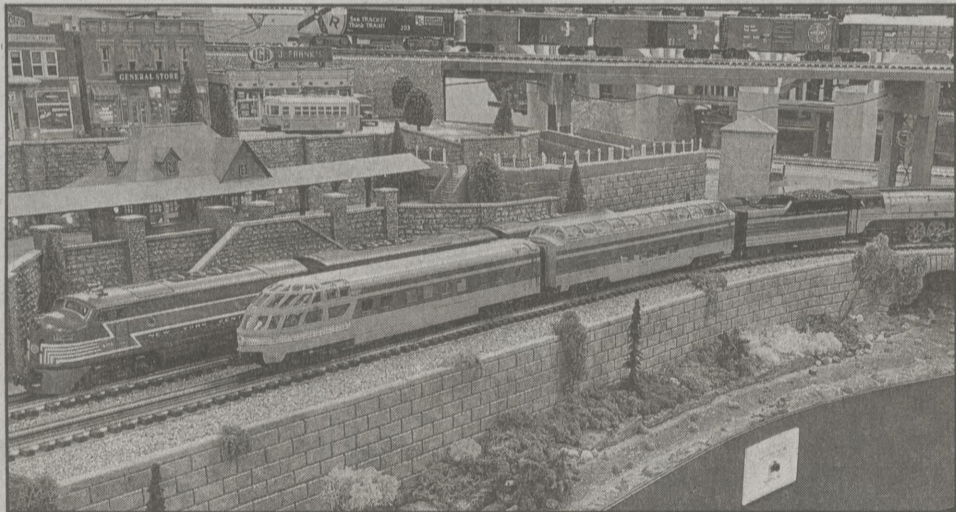
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- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 4 apples, cored, cut into wedges, thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup apple cider vinegar
- 4 cups packed baby spinach
- 2 cups crumbled blue cheese (8 oz)

Saturday, November 23, doors open at 10:00 a.m.

## Boston Metro Hi-Railers Train Club welcomes the public to "Have Fun Fast" at its Holiday Open House

The Boston Metro Hi-Railers train club invites the public to see model trains run on its rebuilt layout as a follow-on to the well-attended Spring Open House. The Open House is a key part of the Club's theme of "Have Fun Fast" that keeps members actively engaged with the club. The event motivates members to bring their best trains to run for an appreciative audience, to finish certain layout projects and to spruce up the clubhouse.

The Open House is one of several activities that make the Club a fun place to join. A particular favorite is the Summer Bash that is an outing to a railroad themed site, such as the Waushakum Live Steamers in Holliston, MA or the Seashore Trolley Museum in Maine. Another club favorite is the monthly socials where members bring any of their trains to run on the various routes on the layout, as well as socialize over lunch. Besides the regular monthly socials, the club periodically has Run Nights where the host will pick a railroad theme and members will bring trains to match that theme, such as railroads serving western New York state, or flat cars carrying trailers. At one Run Night members came close to having one engine pull 112 flat cars with different trailer logos. A meal tied into the theme usually happens, such as a Beef on Weck supper, a favorite in Western NY state. Other opportunities to "Have Fun Fast" include projects on the layout, such as modeling Munjoy Hill of Portland ME, or navigating a maze of layout routes.



THE BOSTON METRO HI-RAILERS TRAIN CLUB

Fun activities also include manning a table at Greenberg's Great Train & Toy Show in Wilmington, MA where members promote the Open House as well as walk the floor to see what there is to see. On other occasions, members will travel together to out-of-town train shows, like the Amherst Railway Society Railroad Hobby Show in West Springfield, MA and the semiannual York Train Meet in Pennsylvania.

The message here is that the Open House is just one of many opportunities to "Have Fun Fast" in model railroading. Just imagine the possibilities of fun in becoming a Club member.

The price of admission remains the same at \$5.00 per individual or \$10.00 per family. An

the film crescendo into absurdity, with little in the way of relief or catharsis. After all those big ideas, all those grand themes and genre-subverting gestures, we're

left with shockingly little to hold on to.

"Emilia Pérez," a Netflix release in theaters Friday and streaming on Nov. 13, is rated R by the Motion Pic-

ture Association for "some violent content, sexual material, language."

Running time: 132 minutes. Two and a half stars out of four.

Sat., November 16th,  
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

## Annual Swedish Jul Fair at Hamilton/Wenham Community House

This year's traditional Swedish Jul Fair will be begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 16th at the Hamilton/Wenham Community House, 284 Bay Rd. (Route 1A), Hamilton, MA.

The Fair will feature the Children's Lucia Bride of Light Procession at 12:00 noon.

There will also be Swedish and American Holiday Music, colorful folk costumes and all the tastes, sights and sounds of the Scandinavian Christmas season.

This is a perfect place for some unique holiday shopping and fun. You will find Scandinavian baked goods, handmade items and gifts, straw ornaments, candles, linens, wooden Tomtes (gnomes), folk art painted dala horses, pewter ornaments and much more. Sample warm glogg with gingerbread cookies, or enjoy open-faced sandwiches, coffee bread and pastries.

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### • WINCHESTER FROM B-1

courage ADUs." He advocated for waiting until the spring to make adjustments and for the Planning Board to use the ADU Working Group (for the record, the Planning Board essentially said if they came back in the spring it would be with the same bylaw).

Surbbier noted how site plan review doesn't currently exist for smaller, single-family homes (primary dwellings) and the same rules should apply for ADUs.

### Discussion

During discussion, several motions were made. Diab Jerius, from precinct 8, asked Town Meeting to indefinitely postpone the article. He said it's "not easy to disentangle site plan review." He said the addition of site plan review doesn't benefit the town or seniors or those with disabilities.

"Site plan review is designed to compensate neighboring lots," Jerius noted, adding

how that's not needed for a 900 square foot building.

He said it would put an "unfair burden on homeowners" and the language "does more harm than good."

While some Town Meeting members favored indefinite postponement, others didn't and the motion eventually failed.

One member, Pamela Cort, in favoring indefinite postponement, asked if some conditions could be placed on site plan review. For instance, could the town remove the need for site plan review on an attached ADU. Town Planner Taylor Herman said that's a possibility and something he could look into.

(It should be noted Winchester can't restrict site plan review based on age, economic status or disability.)

If the town did postpone the article and it came back in the spring, then the current bylaw would remain until Feb. 2 when the state mandate becomes law. This means, as noted by the Planning Board chair, the town would lose oversight over site plan review and its hands would be removed from the

process.

So far, according to the building commissioner, only six people applied for an ADU in the two years since the bylaw went into effect, and of those only one has been completed. However, he said he's seen an increase in inquiries since the state passed new legislation back in August.

Select Board member Bill McGonigle, speaking as a Town Meeting member, said site plan review is especially needed for stormwater management, noting how ADUs will increase impervious surface in the town. He wanted to see Town Meeting adopt the bylaw and then push the Planning Board to return in the spring with ADU-specific site plan review.

"Let's move slowly and cautiously," he advised.

Since the article did not get indefinitely postponed, a member had to opportunity to offer an amendment. Chris Nixon suggested striking the last condition regarding site plan review and returning to the bylaw's original language which states: "The Zoning En-

forcement Officer shall determine if the ADU complies with provisions 4 and 5 above, with the advice of the Design Review Committee (DRC)."

He argued the town needs more specific site plan review. Town Counsel Jay Talerman said any ADU on a non-conforming lot would be subject to certain regulations and if an ADU trips a new non-conformity, it would require a special permit.

Talerman also said, to get where Nixon wants to go, his amendment should be to simply strike section 10 completely. He noted how the new section 4, giving the zoning enforcement officer power, already does what the original section 10 would. Therefore, Nixon amended his motion to strike section 10.

After debate, Town Meeting eventually supported the amendment, 70-62, and then supported the main article with 78 in favor and 53 against. Because an affordable housing provision existed, this article did not require a two-thirds majority to pass.

## • Real Estate Transfers •

### BURLINGTON

2 Hilltop Dr was sold to Benhida, Ahmed and Mujica, Carmen J by Reynolds George M Est and Reynolds, Gary M for \$850,000 on 10/22/24

Burlington 15 Winter St was sold to Opendoor Property J LLC by Benhida, Ahmed and Mujica, Carmen J for \$736,500 on 10/21/24

### LYNNFIELD

630 Lowell St was sold to Kutner, Clare and Kutner, Robert by Karin L Goldstein Ft and Goldstein, Brent R for \$1,415,000 on 10/21/24

### NORTH READING

8 Macintyre Dr was sold to Vesey, James by Landers, Vania T and Landers, John A for \$1,662,000 on 10/23/24

404 Park St was sold to Buck, Brian and Buck, Hillary by 404 Park Street Rt and Shaw, Frederick M for \$525,000 on 10/21/24

14 Washington St was sold to Avelar, Kevin O and Avelar, Maricruz by Homestead Re Inv LLC for \$615,000 on 10/23/24

### READING

23 Kylie Dr was sold to Thigpen, Tara and Thigpen, Allen by Giunta, Robert C and Giunta, Mary J for \$1,925,000 on 10/22/24

28 Pasture Rd was sold to Nadworny, Alexandria M by Grevelis, Brette for \$1,327,000 on 10/22/24

81 Walnut St was sold to 81 Walnut Street Cbc LLC by Cwabs Inc and The Bk Of Ny

Mellon Tr for \$845,000 on 10/23/24

38 Winslow Rd was sold to Noonan, Lauren and Noonan, Patrick by 38 Winslow Road Rt and Mcsheffrey, Robert for \$1,400,000 on 10/22/24

### STONEHAM

100 Ledgewood Dr #213 was sold to Postmark Reading LLC by Silva, Kara A for \$420,000 on 10/23/24

### TEWKSBURY

46 James Ave was sold to Akimchuk, Daniel and Wallick, Carey by 46 James Avenue RET and Walker, Alan for \$815,000 on 10/23/24

113 Walnut Rd was sold to Canales, Eilse and Canales, Andres by Howe, Dorinda L for \$580,000 on 10/22/24

### WAKEFIELD

4 Adams St was sold to Heritage Builders Inc by Adams Street Wakefield R and Bridges, Audsley F for \$475,000 on 10/22/24

974 Main St #21 was sold to Grimm, Jason by Reny, Nancy and Reny, David for \$545,000 on 10/22/24

21-21A Princess St was sold to 21 Princess St LLC by Spinosa, Richard for \$865,000 on 10/23/24

18 Spruce St was sold to Qu, Yuanshuo and Qiu, Xiaocun by Welsh Ft and Mohla, Mary J for \$608,000 on 10/21/24

### WILMINGTON

14 Auburn Ave was sold to Roussell,

Phyllis D by Cameron, Jonathan G and Jimenez, Magdalena for \$520,000 on 10/21/24

104 Glen Rd was sold to Capone, Vincent by Lrm And Slm Ft and Merola, Sharron L for \$395,000 on 10/23/24

30 Lufcaya Cir was sold to Burd, Kaleb and Burd, Jessica by Tentindo Ginette R Est and Tentindo, Christopher for \$685,000 on 10/22/24

96 Middlesex Ave was sold to 96 Middlesex Avenue Rt and Langone, Joseph A by Garden Barry E Est and Irwin, Jay A for \$350,000 on 10/22/24

31 Nathan Rd was sold to Gillen, Kelly and Scholler, Daniel by Raso, Joseph and Raso, Barbara E for \$529,900 on 10/23/24

### WINCHESTER

6 Cambridge St was sold to Song, Lei by Giesing, Whitney and Giesing, Eric R for \$2,000,000 on 10/22/24

Winchester 5 Clearwater Rd was sold to Clair Grass LLC by 5 Clearwater LLC for \$1,350,000 on 10/22/24

### WOBURN

3 Banner Dr was sold to Secatore, John R and Secatore, Jennifer A by Worob, M J and Peterson, Pamela M for \$850,000 on 10/21/24

54-A Eastern Ave was sold to Molind, Greg and Molind, Heather M by Frances J Amari Irt and Mancini, Linda J for \$850,000 on 10/21/24

4 Goodwin Dr #46 was sold to Ramseur, Kendall and Ramseur, Yolanda by Pulte

Hm Of New Eng LLC for \$332,700 on 10/22/24

8 Ingalls St was sold to Peyreau, Monique B and Roberts, Peter A by Loring Janet M Est and Frizzell, Charles for \$740,000 on 10/22/24

299 Lexington St #20 was sold to Janice M Curran T and Curran, Janice M by Wilkinson, Bryce A and Wilkinson, Alexia for \$977,500 on 10/22/24

38 Locust St was sold to Sondey, Allan and Rea-Wilson, Elizabeth by 38 Locust Street Irt and Jr-Tr, Andrew J P for \$545,000 on 10/23/24

15 Lowell St was sold to Han, Lie and Ke, Joy by 15-17 Lowell Street Nt and Roop, Kim C for \$875,000 on 10/23/24

2 Merrill St was sold to Woburn Mc Real Estate LLC by 2 Merrill Street LLC for \$1,650,000 on 10/21/24

6 Morgan Way #6 was sold to Peterson, Pamela M and Worob, Mary J by West Woburn Dev Corp for \$864,900 on 10/22/24

73 Pine St was sold to The Foursq Gospel Inatl by Onnuri Mission Alliance for \$3,500,000 on 10/23/24

73-R Pine St was sold to The Foursq Gospel Inatl by Onnuri Mission Alliance for \$3,500,000 on 10/23/24

282 Place Ln #282 was sold to Mccuish, Neal and Mccuish, Kristine by Josephson Ft and Masotta, Deborah J for \$570,000 on 10/23/24

7 Poplar St was sold to Adonis, Carmy and Casey, Caroline by Mccarthy, Jeff T for \$675,000 on 10/22/24

## 'Elvis - Home for The Holidays!' featuring the King of Rock 'n Roll on Sat., Dec. 14th and Sun., Dec. 15th Arlington's historic Regent Theatre plays host to Doug Church in mid-December show

Doug Church is an international, multi-award-winning Elvis Presley tribute artist who has impressed his audiences for years by mesmerizing them with an unmatched vocal rendition of the King of Rock 'n Roll - Elvis Presley. On Saturday, December 14th and Sunday, December 15th (7:30pm and 2:00pm respectively) Arlington's Showplace of Entertainment will return Doug to Centerstage in order to perform, "Elvis - Home for The Holidays!"

Church's voice has been acknowledged by fellow Elvis tribute artists as being the "...closest to the King's." Doug's on-stage resume also includes the fact that he has performed with almost all of Elvis' closest friends, musicians and original on-stage co-stars. Those stars include The Jordanaires, The Imperials, The Blackwoods, J.D. Sumner, The Stamps Quartet, The Sweet Inspirations, The TCB Band, D.J. Fontana (Elvis' original drummer) as well as Sonny & Red West, Al Dvorin and Charlie Hodge who were collectively known as The Memphis Mafia.

Once he was given his honorable discharge for service in the United States Army, Doug joined the famous Las Vegas Tribute show, Legends in Concert performing with them for over 10 years as "The King - Elvis Presley." Doug

performed all over the world for Legends in Concert from Bangkok to The Bahamas and back again to Hong Kong and Moscow. Doug's name as a headliner became well known throughout the Caribbean with keystone performances in Puerto Rico, Jamaica, The Virgin Islands and Aruba. He toured throughout the United States, and Canada as well during his time as part of the well-known Las Vegas show, eventually becoming known as, "The True Voice of Elvis."

He has also performed on as the solo frontman and headliner in the United Kingdom, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Wales, Ireland, Germany, Spain, Chile and Luxembourg. He is also the producer and creator of the popular tribute shows "Salute to the Stars" and the one-man, fantasy "what-if" show about Elvis called "Beyond 77" which begs the question, "What if Elvis had lived beyond 1977?" which have been touring in the Midwest and on the East Coast in such venues as The Bluegate Theater in Shipshewana, IN, The Ohio Theater in Sugar Creek, OH, and the Beacon Theater in Hopewell, VA, among many others.

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## Tewksbury Police Log

# Three arrested for allegedly trying to cash phony checks

Monday, November 4

11:09 a.m. - A 911 caller reported there was a stranger in her house at William G Drive. Female in the background was stating it was her baby's father. Police sent and the officer filed a report. The male party left the scene.

7:58 p.m. - Detective out with a suspicious male behind the Motel 6. Police sent and the male checked out.

Tuesday, November 5

3:51 a.m. - A 911 caller reported that he believed staff members were breaking into the rooms next to his and The Residences at Tewksbury. No visual and he heard doors opening and closing. He believed people were breaking in. Caller was alone in his apartment. Police sent. They spoke with the caller. There were no active break ins. Officer filed a report.

10:17 am - A 911 caller stated a male party stole his phone, wallet, and keys out of his cart at Walmart. Male was Hispanic, wear-

ing a blue sweatshirt and blue hat. Security was with him. Police sent. Officer filed a report. It was just a misunderstanding and they were going to turn in those belongings.

10:45 a.m. - A 911 caller stated she heard a male and a female yelling and banging since 8:30 a.m. at Ames Hill Drive. Police sent. They confirmed it was just a male party talking loudly on the phone.

12:29 p.m. - Caller reported there were possibly two parties living in the woods behind his home at Superior Avenue. Caller was concerned it would become a tent city and was unsure if the parties were on Dracut or Lowell property. Police sent and Lowell Police Department notified of homeless camps.

2:44 p.m. - Caller reported her two daughters were playing in the background when they heard a male party asking them for help at Rogers Street. Police sent. They confirmed nobody in need of an emergency services.

3:15 p.m. - A 911 caller

stated two females were doing something suspicious at Circle K. Police sent. Taja Angi, 35 of 256 Market St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for operation motor vehicle with license suspended and a warrant for license suspended.

5:04 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a two-car motor vehicle crash at East Street. There were no injuries, but airbag did deploy. Police and ambulance sent. Freddie Serrano, 57, of 31 W 6th St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with operating motor vehicle with license suspended and failure to yield at intersection.

Wednesday, November 6

5:34 a.m. - Front desk worker reported a verbal argument between two people, one of them had a dog at Marriott Residence Inn. Police sent. Parties had been separated for the day. Officer filed a report.

1:54 p.m. - Staff member at Citizen Bank stated someone inside at the teller line trying to cash a fraudulent check. Police

sent. Samuel Remy, 18, of 6 Wayne St. in Boston, was arrested and charged with utter false check, forgery of check, and conspiracy. Kewin Paul, 26, of 30 Annunciation Road in Roxbury, was arrested and charged with utter false check, forgery of check, and conspiracy. Stephon Clairzie, 22, of 26 Beacon St. in Burlington, was arrested and charged with utter false check, forgery of check, and conspiracy.

Thursday, November 7

5:34 a.m. - Caller out of Marshall Street was concerned that a delivery driver might have left the delivery door open at Mexica Burrito. No vehicles on scene and lights were on in the restaurant. Police sent. The building was checked and it was just workers inside the building.

8:25 a.m. - Caller stated there was black SUV parked in front off her and had been there for a 30 minutes at Sesame Street. Police sent. Officer spoke to the female. She had a permit.

10:06 a.m. - Employee

reported a former guest slept in the parking lot at Motel 6. Caller reported the female was on the Burger King side of the parking lot. Police sent. She was not formally trespassed from Motel 6.

10:15 a.m. - Police out with a motor vehicle for suspicious activity at Ames Hill Drive. Jurisder Guerrero, 45, of 36 Academy Circle in Roxbury, was arrested and charged with possess to distribute class A drugs.

7:43 p.m. - Anonymous caller stated two males on dirt bikes looking suspicious at Neptune Street and Littlefield Avenue. Two males about 21 years of age possibly Hispanic wearing dark-colored tops. Police sent. Two male parties on dirt bikes located and checked out OK.

Friday, November 8

7:34 a.m. - Caller looking to report that all four tires on his car were slashed at Merrimack Meadows Lane. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

8:01 a.m. - A 911 caller reported argument in parking lot between two parents at The Learning Experience. Verbal but escalating. Two males, one Asian and one Caucasian, both in late-30s. No weapons. One of the parties left out of the parking lot. Police sent. Argument between two parents. Officer filed a report.

Saturday, November 9

9:09 a.m. - A 911 caller reported there were three males in the middle of the roadway fighting at Whipple Road and Chandler Street. Caller reported one of the males had a dog. There was a Budget rental truck and white pickup truck involved. Police and ambulance sent. Officer filed a report.

10:14 a.m. - A 911 caller from Villa Roma Drive reported he was assaulted by the involved party. Both parties were separated at this time. His neighbor head butted him and he cut his finger. Caller denied needing an ambulance at this time. Officer filed a report.

8:58 p.m. - A 911 caller reported two vehicles in the area of Radcliffe Road were chasing each other. Vehicles described as a white SUV and silver Toyota sedan. Police sent and the vehicle had left the area.

Sunday, November 10

7:04 a.m. - Someone from Merrimack Meadows received threatening text message from her daughter, whom she had a pending restraining order against. She was a Lowell resident and they told her to talk to a Tewksbury officer because she was at the current location. Police sent and were advised to follow up with Lowell.



## Wilmington Police Log

# Theft reported at Shriner's Auditorium

Friday, Nov. 1:

12:43 a.m.: Cameron Whitehead of 25 Brentwood Ave., in Wilmington, was arrested for over \$1,200 of malicious property damage. This followed a woman on Brentwood Avenue reporting a man wearing a black sweatshirt and jeans banging on the door, trying to enter her home.

7:16 a.m.: A gray 2015 Toyota Corolla and a gray 2006 Honda Ridgeline were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Burlington Avenue. Two people refused medical attention.

8:56 a.m.: A resident on Marion Street reported that their political signs were vandalized overnight.

Saturday, Nov. 2:

11:51 a.m.: A caller at the Woburn Street School on Woburn Street reported that he was assaulted by an opposing team coach. The caller was advised of his options at WDC.

1:59 p.m.: Wladimir D Lahens of 118A Clarence St., in Everett, was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, operating an uninsured motor

vehicle, and having a tinted window, while Samuel C Duperier of 32 Brainard Ave., Apt. #102, in Medford, was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license. This followed a stop of their blue 2020 Model 3 on Main Street.

2:30 p.m.: A vendor at the Shriners' Auditorium on Fordham Avenue reported a theft involving items worth \$7,200.

Sunday, Nov. 3:

11:56 a.m.: A caller at the CVS on Main Street reported a woman in front of the building with her pants halfway down. Another caller reported a similar incident, but said the person was a man. The man turned out to be waiting for an uber to take him home.

1:19 p.m.: A caller on Grove Avenue reported that their political flags and signs were stolen sometime the night before. Police reviewed doorbell camera footage, but the signs were placed out of view of the camera.

1:39 p.m.: A caller on Shawshen Avenue reported her neighbor yelling at her and being belligerent,

accusing her of throwing trash into his yard. Police were able to restore peace.

Monday, Nov. 4:

9:58 a.m.: Minli Zhang of 4A Yale Ct., in Hudson, NH, was issued a summons for shoplifting by concealing merchandise. This followed loss prevention at the Target on Ballardvale Street reporting that they had a shoplifter

detained.

11:23 a.m.: Paul Bert Bolduc of 34 Florence St., Apt. #2, in Andover, was issued a summons for shoplifting. This followed a report of a past shoplifting from the Target on Ballardvale Street.

5:35 p.m.: Igor Zhiviani of 12 Upland Road, Apt. #2, in Everett, was issued a summons for shoplifting by price tag tampering. This followed loss prevention at the Target on Ballardvale Street reporting they had a shoplifter in their office.

Tuesday, Nov. 5:

5:44 a.m.: Police assisted with delivering ballots to the high school and the Boutwell School.

9:07 a.m.: A walk-in party from Pinewood Road reported the theft of a political lawn sign.

Wednesday, Nov. 6:

7:45 a.m.: A caller on Fiorenza Drive reported that an unlocked vehicle had been entered sometime overnight. It appeared that nothing was taken from inside.

3:06 p.m.: Loss prevention at the Target on Ballardvale Street reported they had a shoplifter detained in their office; however, it turned out that it was not in fact a case of shoplifting, but a misunderstanding at the self-checkout. Loss prevention wanted someone else to double-check the video, and let the detainee go.

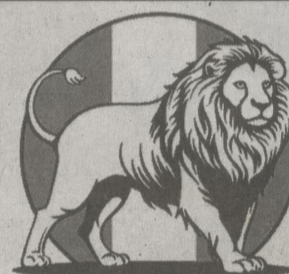
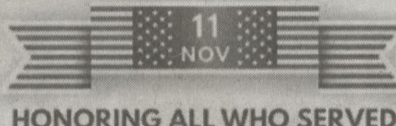
Thursday, Nov. 7:

11:13 a.m.: A resident on Andover Street reported a gray 2013 Audi A5 parked near their driveway. It was soon discovered that the vehicle was reported stolen out of Woburn, and Woburn police towed it to their station for processing.

11:34 a.m.: An employee at Burlington Self Storage on West Street reported an unruly customer. Police spoke to the employee, and the situation calmed down.

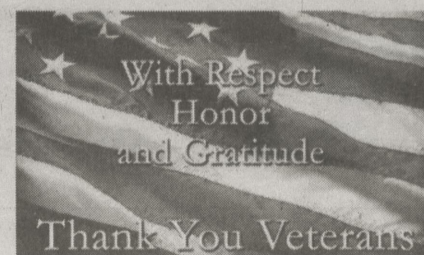
2:03 p.m.: A caller on Fiorenza Drive reported a physical altercation at their place of employment. Police requested the phone number of their workplace.

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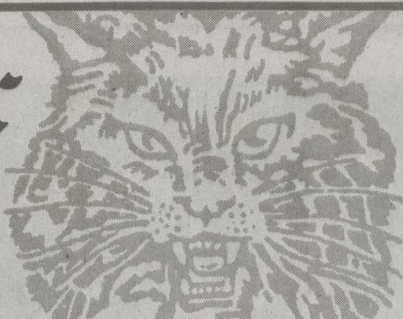


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# RUNNERS TAKE THE FINAL STEP

WHS girls and boys cross country teams qualify for Meet of Champions

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The Wilmington High boys and girls cross country teams competed at the MIAA Div. 2-C state meet at Fort Devens on Saturday, Nov. 9.

The girls ran first and placed sixth as a team to qualify for the All-State Meet of Champions next weekend. The meet was won by Whitinsville Christian with 80 points and they were followed by Medfield, Groton-Dunstable, Dover-Sherborn, Bishop Fenwick and Wilmington.

Charlotte Kiley placed 8th in 20:19.12 and Addy Hunt placed 9th in 20:39.85 as they both won medals for finishing in the top 15.

Other Wilmington runners included Kaitlyn Shackelford, who was 48th in 22:58.38, Bella Zaya, who finished 69th in 23:56.81 and Cayley Israelson, who ended up 78th in 24:09.77. Also representing the

Wildcats were Tessa Capione, 105th in 25:36.47, and Rebecca Hughes, 162nd in 29:36.58.

The boys placed fourth as a team and also qualified for the All-State Meet of Champions next weekend. The meet was won by Groton-Dunstable with 52 points and they were followed by Dover-Sherborn, Medfield and Wilmington.

Four WHS runners finished in the top 50 overall.

Gavin Dong was 19th in 17:39.56, Jake Cronin was 31st in 18:13.41, David Dynan was 39th in 18:23.91 and Cooper Holleran was 42nd in 18:27.93.

Dean Ciampa was 52nd in 18:44.06, Evan Cummings came in 75th in 19:33.64 and Spencer Bagtaz rounded out the Wilmington runners, finishing 95th in 20:18.81.

Both WHS teams will be competing at the MIAA Meet of Champions that will also be run at Fort Devens, next Saturday, Nov. 16.



(Courtesy photo)

► Charlotte Kiley and Addy Hunt helped the Wilmington High girls cross country team advance to this weekend's All-State meet.

## Wilmington bounced in Medway

Girls soccer team falls in first round of playoffs

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The Wilmington High girls soccer team's season came to an end last Tuesday when the Wildcats lost to Medway by a 3-1 score in the opening round of the Div. 3 state tournament. The Wildcats entered

► Lindsay Broussard makes a play for Wilmington in its game at Medway. (Photo by Doug Hastings)

the playoffs as the 20th seed with a record of 8-5-5. WHS captured the Middlesex League's Freedom Division championship this fall.

Medway was seeded 13th with an 8-8-2 regular-season mark.

The Mustangs scored eight minutes into the match when senior Ana-Lourdes Sheedy converted a shot.

Seven minutes later, Medway junior Eva Miranda scored to make it 2-0.

Wilmington didn't quit. With 22 minutes left in the first half, Avery King sent a direct kick just over the Medway goal.

Three minutes later, senior Jillian Collins sent a pass back to junior Alison McElligott, who fired a

perfect shot from 25 yards out that went into the top-right corner to cut Medway's lead to 2-1.

Both teams had chances before halftime.

Leah Doucette had a nice run up the left sideline with 11 minutes remaining and a hustle play by Collins created a corner kick for the Wildcats with six minutes to go. WHS almost got a penalty kick out of the corner as a ball seemed to hit the hand of a Medway player in the goal area, but the referee chose not to whistle the infraction.

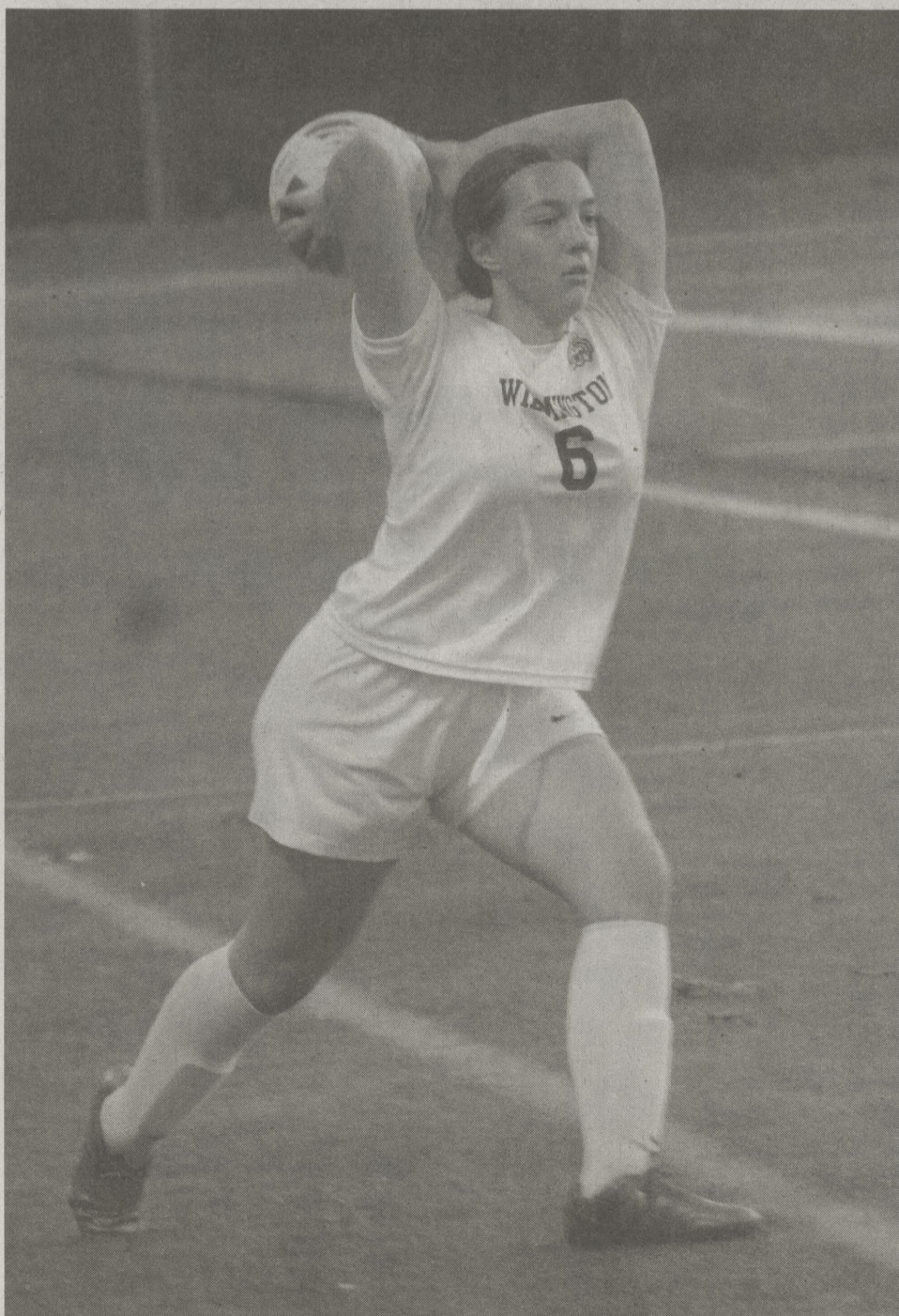
The Mustangs nearly scored on a scramble in front of Wilmington's goal with eight minutes left, but the WHS defense was able to clear the ball away.

In the second half, Wilmington had its chances with Collins and junior Cathryn MacDonald sparking the Wildcat offense, but Medway's defense didn't break.

With 20 minutes to go, Medway senior Ari Keane gave the Mustangs a 3-1 lead and Wilmington wouldn't get any closer.

The 'Cats ended the year with an 8-6-5 overall record.

Collins and Arianna Cook are the two graduating seniors from the WHS program and two of the five captains on the team. Other Wildcat captains included MacDonald, junior Erin McCarthy and McElligott.



► Alison McElligott takes a free kick for the Wildcats.

(Photo by Doug Hastings)

► Julia Heller takes a throw-in against Medway.

(Photo by Doug Hastings)

# WHS football earns first victory

Wildcats put up 46 points in win over Arlington Catholic

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The Wilmington High football team earned its first victory of the year last Thursday.

The Wildcats overcame an early 13-0 deficit and rallied for a 46-35 victory over visiting Arlington Catholic.

"We'll take it," said WHS coach Craig Turner. "We're just starting to get healthy on the offensive line. This is probably the first game all season that we've had all five of our offensive linemen."

Now, all of a sudden look at us, we can run the ball. We needed this."

WHS (1-7) is back at home this Thursday against Manchester Essex at 6 p.m.

Against AC, Wilmington scored on its second drive of the game to make it 13-8.

A solid kickoff return by

Colin Allard to the 41-yard line led to a five-play drive that ended with a 6-yard touchdown run by Gus Lambert.

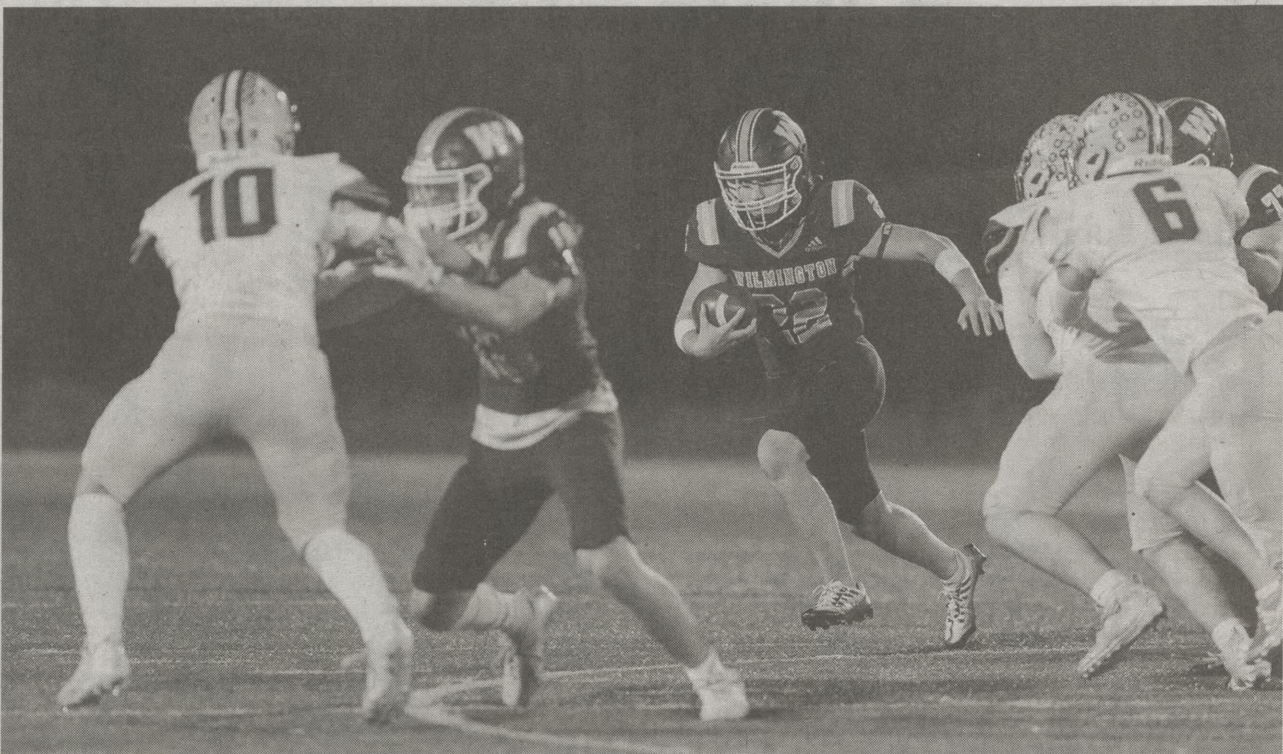
Lambert's 28-yard run helped set up the scoring run, Quarterback Mark Holleran added the 2-point conversion rush to make it 13-8 with 6:24 left in the first quarter.

The Cougars nearly scored again on their next possession.

A 40-yard pass from quarterback Bryan Cahill to Jimmy Rogers gave AC a first down at the WHS 26-yard line, but a fumbled snap on fourth down from the 19 gave the ball back to the Wildcats.

Wilmington made another defensive stop with AC at the WHS 32-yard line before a sack by Kenny Branley on fourth down gave it back to the 'Cats.

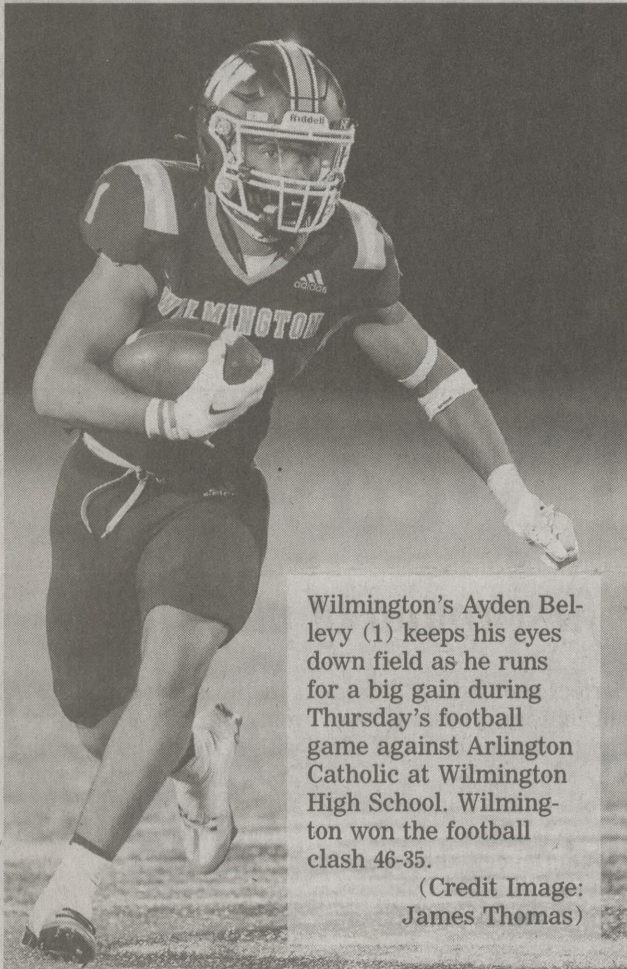
The time, WHS drove to take the lead.



▲ Wilmington's Gus Lambert (22) runs the ball for a short gain against Arlington Catholic during Thursday's football game at Wilmington High School. Wilmington won the football clash 46-35. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



Wilmington's Colin Dwyer (20) runs the ball during Thursday's football game against Arlington Catholic. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



Wilmington's Ayden Bellevy (1) keeps his eyes down field as he runs for a big gain during Thursday's football game against Arlington Catholic at Wilmington High School. Wilmington won the football clash 46-35.

(Credit Image: James Thomas)

A 17-yard pass to Lambert and an 18-yard run by Ayden Bellevy set up Lambert's 1-yard touchdown run with 7:34 left in the half.

"Gus and Ayden, both of those kids can both run," said Turner. "It's just a matter of getting the some lanes that they can do something with."

The conversion attempt failed, but Wilmington led 14-13.

Arlington Catholic regained the lead just before halftime when Jordan Lane caught a 76-yard touchdown pass from Cahill.

Lane caught the conversion pass as well for a 21-14 Cougar lead at intermission.

Wilmington took command of the game in the second half.

On the first WHS drive, Bellevy picked up 34 yards, setting up a 16-yard touchdown run by Lambert, his third score of the night. Bellevy's 2-point conversion rush made it 22-21.

Wilmington wouldn't trail again.

A sack by Timmy Wilson of Wilmington helped force an AC punt and the 'Cats drove 66 yards in five plays to make it 30-21 when Bellevy scored on a 16-yard run and Lambert crashed in with the conversion with 5:37 left in the third quarter.

A 10-yard pass from Holleran to Pasquale DeLucia and two Lambert carries for 37 yards help set up the score.

Kyle Gabaree had a sack on fourth down and a fumble recovery late in the third quarter to help set up the next Wildcat touchdown, a 50-yard drive that took nine plays to materialize before Bellevy's 6-yard touchdown run. The extra point missed, but WHS led 36-21 with 9:34 remaining.

Big plays on the way to the end zone included a 15-yard run by Bellevy and a 2-yard pickup by Lambert on fourth-and-one from the AC 26-yard line.

AC made one final push, driving for a score with 6:27 to go when Cahill hit Lane again with a 29-yard

touchdown pass and the conversion to make it 36-29.

Wilmington would all but put the game out of reach moments later when Lambert busted loose for a 57-yard touchdown run. Cam Pereira added the extra point to make it 43-29 with just 5:04 left.

The Wildcats recovered a squib kick after the score and added a 34-yard field goal by Pereira to make it 46-29.

"I was really happy for (Cam)," Turner said. "He broke his wrist in basketball last year, a really weird brake, and the only thing he can do is kick. He's a hell of a player. That was awesome to see that happen for him."

Colin Dwyer's 10-yard run and a 15-yard penalty

against AC put WHS in field goal range with 2:26 remaining.

In the closing moments, the Cougars added a final touchdown, a 24-yard touchdown pass to Tyler Valente.

AC opened the game with a pair of touchdowns on big plays, a 61-yard run by Jayden Goncalves just 39 seconds into the action and a 64-yard pass from Cahill to Sam Mathews at the 3:20 mark.

"We said it at halftime," Turner said. "It was three big plays. Other than that, they didn't do anything."

Lambert's explosive evening saw him pile up 193 yards rushing on 18 carries along with 17 receiving yards. Bellevy had 14 carries for 140 yards.

## College Sports:

# DuCharme, Bentley start with a victory

The 2024-25 Bentley University women's basketball season got underway last weekend with the nationally-ranked Falcons in Wilmington, Delaware for the Goldey-Beacom Tip-Off Tournament.

Bentley University, the No. 9 ranked team in the Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II preseason coaches poll, used a 14-2 closing burst to pull out a 72-61 win over Goldey-Beacom University Friday afternoon in the season-opening Goldey-Beacom Tip-Off Tournament.

Senior forward Kylie DuCharme (Wilmington, Mass./Wilmington HS) led the Falcons with 22 points and eight rebounds, and sophomore guard Niya Morgen (Swampscott, Mass./St. Mary's HS) followed with 16 off the bench.

Bentley, which trailed for most of the first half, was down 59-58 when Falcon captain and graduate forward Maggie Whitmore (South Portland, Maine/South Portland HS) came up with a smothering block with just under four

minutes to play.

Whitmore finished the ensuing possession with a scoop lay-up to give the lead back to the Falcons and launch the game-ending run. Following a defensive board by Morgen and an offensive rebound from senior guard and captain Cassidy Yeomans (Marion, Mass./Tabor Academy), Whitmore scored on a drive to make it 62-59.

Following the final basket of the game by the Lightning, Yeomans drained a three-pointer and Bentley had its biggest advantage up to that point, 66-61.

A Whitmore d-board led to a fast break lay-up by Morgen with 1:38 remaining.

Kabantu took a charge with 81 seconds left, Morgen made two from the stripe with 46.2 on the clock and the Falcon defense closed out the win with steals by Whitmore and Morgen, and a Morgen fast-break basket.

Bentley trailed by eight points twice in the first half, 14-6 and 32-24, but closed to within four on

the break as DuCharme netted four in the final minute of the second quarter.

In the third quarter, coach C White's team took a slim lead four times but the Lightning kept responding. A corner three from graduate guard and captain Brooke Obar (North Yarmouth, Maine/Greely HS) with 56 seconds left send Bentley into the quarter break up one, 46-45.

DuCharme, whose offensive efforts kept Bentley close during the three quarters, had 11 in the first half and another seven in the third. She made seven of 11 shots, a three-pointer and all seven of her free throws, and also had two steals, two assists and a block.

Offensive rebounds were 11-3 and second chance points finished 12-3.

Expectations are high for coach C White's team, which returns 13 of 14 players from last year's squad, which finished 27-6, shared the Northeast-10 regular season title and captured a third straight NE10 tournament championship.

Bentley begins its 50th season of action with 1,275 all-time wins and a .793 winning percentage, both of which rank third in NCAA Division II history.

Preseason rankings have the Falcons listed first in the Northeast-10 coaches poll and the D2CSC Division II East Region, seventh in the D2CSC media poll and ninth in the WBCA Division II coaches poll.



Kylie DuCharme of Wilmington is one of the leaders of the Bentley University women's basketball team. (Photo courtesy of Bentley University athletics)

Morgen drained a trip of three-pointers en route to 16, and both Whitmore and Kabantu finished with 10 points.

Sophomore guard Farrah White (Wilmington, Del.) led Goldey-Beacom with 13 points.

Bentley made two more three-balls than GCU, 7-5, and had a big advantage at the line. The Falcons converted 17 of 21 while the home team attempted only nine free throws, making eight.

Rebounds also favored Bentley, 38-26, with Whitmore matching DuCharme's eight.

Topping the list of returnees are All-Northeast-10 forwards Maggie Whitmore (South Portland, Maine/South Portland HS) and Kylie DuCharme (Wilmington/Wilmington HS), a duo who combined for over 22 points and 15 rebounds last season. Whitmore, a grad student who was voted to the NE10 first team, provided 12 points, 6.7 rebounds and 2.1 assists per game. DuCharme, who was chosen for the all-conference third team, followed at 10.6 points and 8.4 boards.

Bentley plays its first home game in Waltham on Nov. 16.

# Shawsheen football takes first step

Top-seeded Rams crush Gloucester in playoff opener

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Note to self, if the Shawsheen Tech football team wants to use drones to film its games, let it happen.

On Friday night at Shawsheen's Cassidy Field, the only suspense happened before the opening kickoff.

Game officials noticed a drone flying over the field.

As it turns out, the drone belonged to Shawsheen's football team and was used for game films.

The head referee told Shawsheen's coaching staff that Gloucester coach Dan O'Connor had to agree to let the Rams use the drone. O'Connor said no.

"Their coach made a big deal out of it," said Al Costabile, Shawsheen's coach who has been using the drone all year long.

Shawsheen wasn't happy, but certainly seemed satisfied throughout the evening on the way to a 56-6 thumping of the Fishermen in the opening round of the Div. 5 state tournament.

The Rams will be back on home turf next Friday against Newburyport with a trip to the state semifinals on the line. The eighth-seeded Clippers beat ninth-seeded Bishop Stang on Friday by a score of 53-19 to improve to 4-5 overall.

"Just a tremendous job by the kids," Costabile said. "They practiced real well all week."

This was, by far, our best week of practice and we talk a lot about you playing the way you practice. We can preach it and preach it, but when they actually see it happen, like tonight, that's when they've bought in."

The Rams scored before running a play from scrimmage as senior quarterback Sid Tildsley returned Jaylen Severino's punt 41 yards down the left sideline for a touchdown just 3:14 into the game.

A holding penalty and a combined sack by senior Cullen Walsh and junior Eric Banda helped force the Gloucester punt.

Sophomore Quinn Carbone and junior James Tildsley had tackles for losses to set up another Severino kick. This time, the punt took a Fisherman bounce and rolled to the 9-yard line.

On the first play of the game for Shawsheen's offense, junior Jake Banda busted loose for a 91-yard touchdown run.

Senior Jack Finn's extra point made it 14-0 just 6:12 into the action.

Gloucester's third punt of the first quarter came on a fourth-and-25 play and resulted in more bad news for the Fishermen when Tildsley fielded the ball at the Ram 40-yard line, ran for 10 yards and then sent a pass across the field to junior Dyllon Pratt, who ran the remaining 50 yards for a touchdown and a 21-0 lead for Shawsheen.

Just after the first quarter ended, Pratt intercepted Gloucester sophomore quarterback Cole Mosley-Wynn at the 29-yard line.

On the first Shawsheen play of the possession, Banda broke free for another scoring run, this one from 71 yards out, to make it 28-0 just 23 seconds into quarter No. 2.

After another Gloucester punt, Shawsheen scored

again on a one-play drive, but this one play was a historic one.

Sid Tildsley hit Pratt with a 61-yard touchdown pass, putting Tildsley over the 5,000-yard mark for his career.

The Fishermen didn't punt away their next drive, instead going for a fourth-and-three from their own 34-yard line. The visitors didn't convert, setting the Rams up for another quick score.

This time, a 33-yard run by Banda set up a 2-yard touchdown run by Tildsley with 5:47 still to play in the half.

Senior Ryan Jamieson recovered a Gloucester fumble at the 12-yard line to set up the seventh Ram touchdown of the first half, a 12-yard run by senior Zack Timmons to make it 49-0 with 3:52 to go.

Finn was a perfect 7 for 7 on extra points for the night.

Banda had 195 rushing yards in the first half on just three carries to spark



Offensive coordinator Doug Pratt (left) and quarterback Sid Tildsley talk during Shawsheen's playoff win over Gloucester.  
(Photo by Doug Hastings)

the offense.

"That's a pretty good average per carry," Costabile joked. "He's a beast. I tell him he runs like Franco Harris, the way he shifts his shoulders. He's a beast and the offensive and defensive lines, my hat goes off to them. They just own the line of scrimmage."

The Gloucester offense had a total of minus-22 yards in the first half without a first down.

In a second half that featured running time for the entire 24 minutes, Shawsheen scored a third-quarter touchdown when freshman Landon Benoit returned a fumble 41 yards to the end zone. Sophomore Andrew Santo added the extra point.

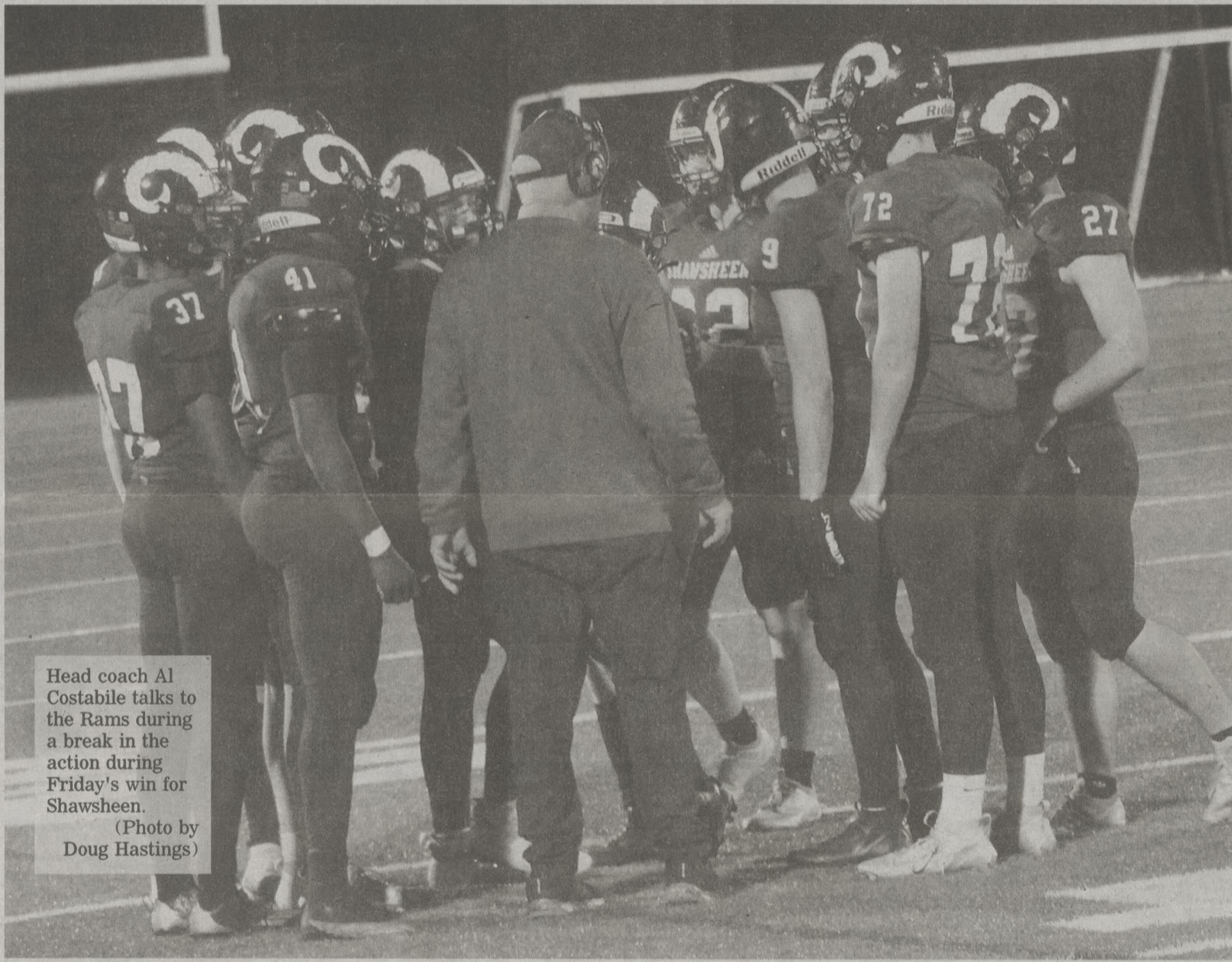
The Fishermen scored their only touchdown in the fourth quarter on a long run by Joe Allen with 7:30 remaining.

Junior Adam Caruso and

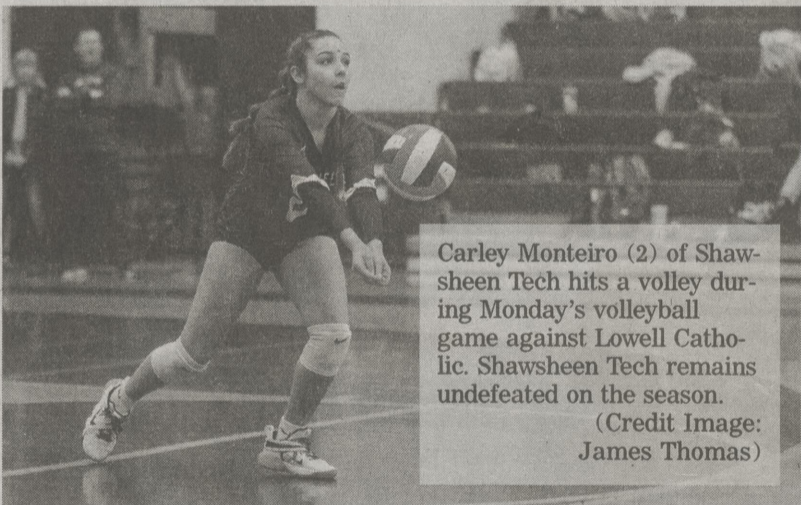
sophomore Aiden Pimental saw time at quarterback in the second half for Shawsheen.

Sophomore Christian Sau-chuk had a nice tackle on a kickoff return while sophomore Rick Raymond recovered a fumble in the fourth quarter.

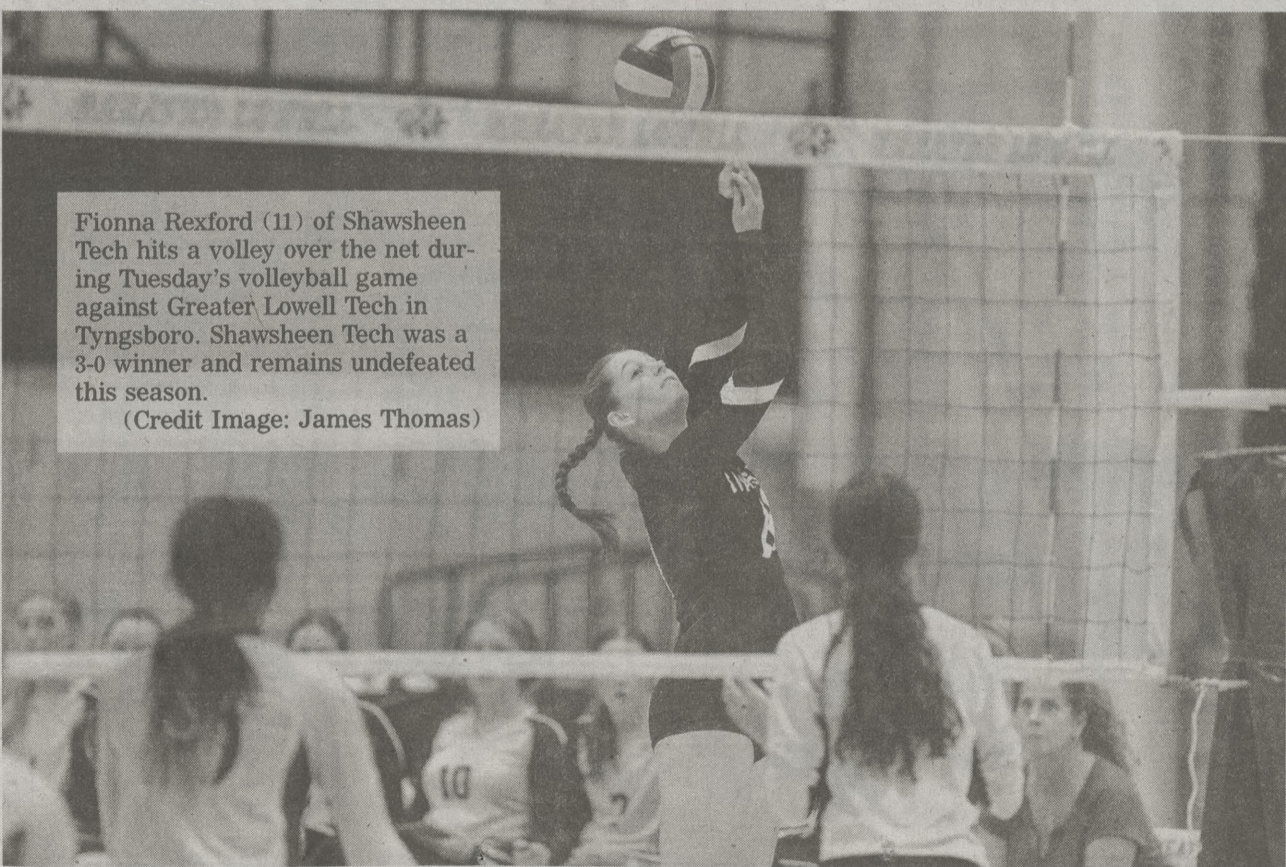
Nathan Smith, Ralph Raymond, Hadi Sibay and Trent Wedge all saw carries out of the backfield.



Head coach Al Costabile talks to the Rams during a break in the action during Friday's win for Shawsheen.  
(Photo by Doug Hastings)



Carley Monteiro (2) of Shawsheen Tech hits a volley during Monday's volleyball game against Lowell Catholic. Shawsheen Tech remains undefeated on the season.  
(Credit Image: James Thomas)



Fionna Rexford (11) of Shawsheen Tech hits a volley over the net during Tuesday's volleyball game against Greater Lowell Tech in Tyngsboro. Shawsheen Tech was a 3-0 winner and remains undefeated this season.  
(Credit Image: James Thomas)

## SHAWSHEEN'S MEMORABLE RUN ENDS

Volleyball wins 24 straight before falling in playoffs

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The Shawsheen Tech volleyball team's historic season came to an end last week with a 3-0 loss to Old Rochester Regional High School in Mattapoiset in the second round of the Div. 3 state tournament.

The Rams finished the season with a 24-1 overall record, capturing the Commonwealth Athletic Conference title, the state's vocational championship and a first-round win over Pembroke before ultimate-

ly falling to Old Rochester.

The Pembroke playoff victory over Pembroke saw Shawsheen rally from a 2-0 deficit.

Fourth-seeded Old Rochester played top-seeded Weston on Tuesday in the state semifinals.

Shawsheen was the 13th seed in the playoffs.

Frankie Reardon led the Rams in both kills and aces during the season. Izzy DiSalvo led the defense with team-high totals in digs and serve receptions and Maura Krueger led the Rams in assists. Hope DiDonato was Shawsheen's leader in blocks.

# Lifestyle

## Visit the authors at Sleepy Hollow in Concord

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Planning a day trip? The charming town of Concord offers plenty of ways

to commune with nature while satisfying your inner history buff. In its nearly 400 year existence, Concord has been home to many important thinkers,

innovators and luminaries, and now, Sleepy Hollow Cemetery — the largest in the town — memorializes their accomplishments across nearly 120 acres of rolling landscape. Many contemporary notables are buried at Sleepy Hollow, including author Robin Moore, James Crockett, host of "Victory Garden" on PBS, Katherine Davis, composer of "The Little Drummer Boy," and television pioneers Marc and Emily Daniels, who worked on "I Love Lucy" and "Star Trek."

Older gravesites belong to prominent civil rights leaders and Transcendentalists, who promoted a philosophy of independence.

Sculptor Daniel Chester French is also buried at

the cemetery. French's sculptures are found across the country, including the 30-foot marble statue of Abraham Lincoln at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC, and the Minute Man statue in Concord.

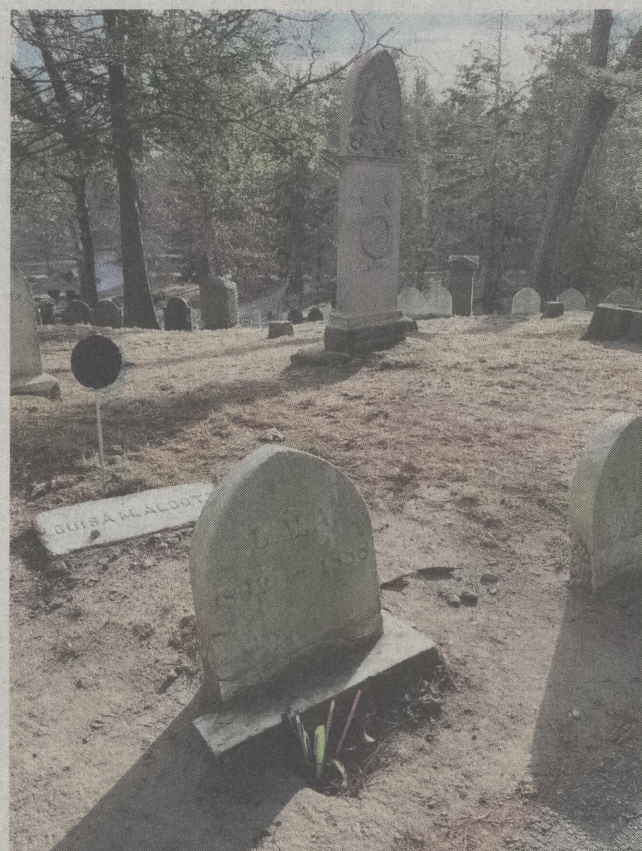
French's grave lies close to one of his prominent local works: the Melvin Memorial, or Mourning Victory, which pays tribute to three Concord-born brothers who lost their lives fighting for the Union in the Civil War.

Victory, wrapped in the American flag, looks down on the symbolic graves of Asa, John, and Samuel Melvin, who died in battle, by disease, and by capture, respectively. A fourth enlisted brother, James, survived the war and became a prominent Boston businessman and friend of French, from whom he commissioned the sculpture.

A major restoration effort in 2018 by the town cleaned and preserved the monument for years to come.

High on a hill sits Authors Ridge, which contains the family plots of four Concord-based writers who are considered to be among the greatest American thinkers and literaries: Henry David Thoreau, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Louisa May Alcott, and Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Most of the grave markers are humble, fitting in with headstones of the time. Adoring fans make pilgrimages to the site and leave pencils, pens, and



▲ Literary fans frequently make the pilgrimage up Authors Ridge at Sleepy Hollow Cemetery to leave writing utensils at the grave sites of Concord's great minds, including Louisa May Alcott of "Little Women" fame.

(Rosalyn Impink photos)

other writing utensils in tribute to their favorite novelists. Thoreau's grave is shared with his family, including his father John, whose eponymous pencil company led the way in modern pencilmaking — the younger Thoreau mixed up a new American formula for a smear-free pencil by mixing New Hampshire graphite with clay.

Later on, he chose a life of seclusion, living in the woods of Walden Pond and writing extensively on the values of transcendentalism, espousing self-reliance and the importance of nature.

The Alcott plot includes markers for each of Louisa May Alcott's family members who were immortalized as characters in "Little Women," including her father Bronson, mother Abby, and three sisters Anna, Elizabeth, and Abigail May — the real life March sisters. Louisa May's grave has a US veteran medallion in recognition of her service

as a Civil War nurse, during which she contracted typhoid which led to her ultimate death from treatment by mercury.

Nathaniel Hawthorne's grave is nearby — the author of "The Scarlet Letter" and "The House of Seven Gables" was reunited with his wife and daughter in the early 2000s when their remains were re-interred to the site from England.

Ralph Waldo Emerson's grave is a massive, jagged piece of rose quartz, in stark contrast to the neatly formed graves in the rest of the plot — fitting for a man who wrote extensively on the connection between humanity and the natural world.

The cemetery makes for a lovely and interesting walk on paved paths, but visitors should take note of steep inclines and narrow pathways.

Learn more and take a virtual tour of the cemetery online at [www.concordma.gov](http://www.concordma.gov).



▲ Ralph Waldo Emerson's grave is unique among its peers — a massive piece of rose quartz memorializes the author of "Self-Reliance" and other Transcendentalist works.



▲ Daniel Chester French's "Mourning Victory" in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery serves as a memorial to three Concord brothers who died in the Civil War.



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